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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1921.

On the first Wednesday in January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, being the day designated by the constitution for the assembling of that body, the one hundred and seventeenth General Court of the State of New Hampshire convened at the capitol, in the city of Concord, and the representatives-elect were called to order by Harrie M. Young, clerk of the House for the preceding session.

The clerk proceeded to call the roll and 391 members answering to their names, a quorum was declared present.

On motion of Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee,—

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed by the clerk to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled and requests his attendance.

The clerk appointed Messrs. Hodsdon of Ossipee and Kenney of Manchester as such committee.

His Excellency the Governor, having been informed that a quorum of the House was assembled, appeared, attended by the Honorable Council, and the following named gentlemen, having presented their credentials, were duly qualified by His Excellency as members of the House of Representatives by taking and subscribing to the oaths of office agreeably to the provisions of the constitution.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

Atkinson	Eugene E. Sawyer.
Auburn	Edgar L. Preston.
Brentwood	Charles Flanders.
Candia	Ernest S. Colcord.
Chester	John D. Fiske.
Danville	Clarence M. Collins.
Deerfield	Walter B. Scott.
Derry	Edmund R. Angell.
	Ralph W. Davis
	James A. Hunt.
	Leonard H. Pillsbury.
East Kingston	Charles F. Knights.
Epping	Augustus D. Brown.
Exeter	Albertus T. Dudley.
	Fred S. Fellowes.
	Chester D. Hatch.
	Albert E. McReel.
Fremont	Stephen A. Frost.
Greenland	Eugene S. Daniell.*
Hampstead	Isaac Randall.
Hampton	Ernest G. Cole.
Hampton Falls	Charles A. Parker.
Kensington	Ralph B. Fish.
Kingston	George B. Stevens.
Londonderry	Eddie H. Davenport.
Newcastle	Elmer S. Pridham
Newfields	Bert P. Doe.
Newmarket	Adelard Rousseau.
	Fred E. Sanborn.
	George H. Willey.
Newton	Benjamin S. Andrews, Jr.
North Hampton	Samuel A. Dow.
Northwood	John G. Towle.
Nottingham	Fred Fernald.
Plaistow	Joseph W. C. Ibbotson.

Portsmouth—	
Ward 1	Ralph L. Hett.
	William J. Linchey.
Ward 2	Amon O. Benfield.
	William A. Hodgdon.
	John W. Leavitt.
Ward 3	James J. Heffernan.
	James W. Schurman.
Ward 4	George E. Cox.
Ward 5	James A. Jameson.
Raymond	Llewellyn J. Gove.
Rye	Arthur A. Jenness.
Salem	Wallace W. Cole.
	Walter F. Haigh.
Sandown	John D. Kelley.
Seabrook	Jere L. Smith.
Stratham	Frank H. Pearson.
Windham	Edward A. Haskell.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.

Barrington	Henry W. Locke.
Dover—	
Ward 1	John L. Foss.
	Hubert K. Reymolds.
Ward 2	Wilbur F. Moody.
	Eugene Smart.
	Erving F. Wentworth.
Ward 3	Charles A. Fairbanks.
	Samuel B. Shackford.
Ward 4	George D. Barrett.
	James G. Houston.
	Thomas Sherry.
Ward 5	Edward Durnin.
Durham	Mark E. Willey.
Farmington	Frank J. Smith.
	Earle M. Tuttle.
Lee	Frank J. Davis.
Madbury	Henry B. Knox.

Milton	Fred S. Hartford.
New Durham	Izah P. Berry.
Rochester—	
Ward 1	Lawrence E. Haley.
Ward 2	Charles W. Evans.
Ward 3	Harry H. Meader.
Ward 4	Alfred Beaudoin.
	Adelard G. Gelinas.
Ward 5	Louis H. McDuffee.
Ward 6	Charles W. Lowe.
	Charles E. Woodward.
Rollinsford	Jessie Doe.
	George H. Yeaton.
Somersworth—	
Ward 1	Paul A. Rainville.
Ward 2	Michael J. Leary.
Ward 3	Alfred J. Boucher.
Ward 4	Edward G. Letourneau.
	John Parsons.
Ward 5	Peter Perreault, Jr.
Strafford	Adrian B. Preston.

BELKNAP COUNTY.

Alton	Oscar E. Davis.
Barnstead	Fred E. Berry.
Belmont	Frank P. Grant.
Center Harbor	Louis L. Sanborn.
Gilford	Oscar V. Rand.
Gilmanton	Charles Frank Page.
Laconia—	
Ward 1	George W. Tarson.
Ward 2	William D. Kempton
	Fortunat E. Normandin.
Ward 3	Charles M. Avery.
Ward 4	Charles H. Tilton.
	Harry E. Trapp.
Ward 5	Joseph B. F. Bell.
	Lester Philbrook.

Laconia—	
Ward 6	Charles O. Hopkins.
	Frank S. Peaslee.
Meredith	Ralph N. Piper.
New Hampton	Adelbert M. Gordon.
Sanbornton	Walter A. Wilson.
Tilton	Albert S. Carter.
	Charles F. Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.

Bartlett	Edward B. Cobb.
Conway	James McD. Blue.
	Clarence Ela.
	Amos A. Phelps.
Eaton	Winifield S. Head.
Effingham	Frank O. Leavitt.
Freedom	John E. Perkins.
Hart's Location	Charles H. Morey.
Jackson	Arthur C. Gray.
Moultonborough	George A. Blanchard.
Ossipee	Ervin W. Hodsdon.
Sandwich	Alonzo McCrillis.
Tamworth	Martin L. Schenck.
Tuftonboro	Daniel B. Palmer.
Wakefield	William N. Rogers.
Wolfeboro	Stephen W. Clow.*
	Obed S. Young.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.

Allenstown	Walter W. Kenison.
Andover	Charles S. Stone.
Boscawen	Mary L. R. Farnum.
Bow	Edwin A. Colby.
Bradford	Gaylord G. Cummings.
Canterbury	Lowell T. Mason.
Chichester	Bryant B. Call.
Concord—	
Ward 1	Ernest L. Cross.
	Fred M. Dodge.

Concord—	
Ward 2	Cyrus E. Robinson.
Ward 3	Guy A. Swenson.*
Ward 4	Henry H. Amsden.
	William P. Danforth.
	Joseph S. Otis.
Ward 5	Earl F. Newton.
	William W. Thayer.
Ward 6	John H. Brown.*
	George R. Leavitt.
	Edward A. Tuck.
Ward 7	Arthur E. Clarke.
	Frank J. Kelley.
	John H. Sargent.
Ward 8	William A. Lee.
Ward 9	William J. Ahern.
	Frederick A. Jordan.
Danbury	Lee V. Knapp.
Dunbarton	Philander M. Lord.
Epsom	Joseph Lawrence.
Franklin—	
Ward 1	Harry W. Gilchrist.
Ward 2	Frank W. Clough.
	Edmund J. Garneau.
Ward 3	George H. Bartlett.
	Alfred G. Thompson.
Henniker	Harry L. Holmes.
Hill	Joseph B. Murdock.
Hooksett	Burt Otterson.
Hopkinton	James O. Straw.
Loudon	Frank M. Ladd.
Newbury	Allen A. Emerson.
New London	Allen O. Crane.
Northfield	William C. Sargent.
Pembroke	Alonzo J. Bates.
	George P. Cass.
	Michael E. Forcier.

Pittsfield	Joseph C. Adams
	William B. Ely.
Salisbury	Leander N. Sawyer.
Sutton	Fred A. Sawyer.
Warner	George C. Chase.
Wilmot	Leon E. Sawyer.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.

Amherst	Charles P. Dodge.
Antrim	Charles S. Abbott.
Bedford	Orra G. Kilton.
Bennington	Arthur F. Bell.
Brookline	Fred E. Rockwood.
Deering	James W. Ellsworth.
Francestown	Fred A. Pettee.
Goffstown	John H. Brown.
	Benjamin F. Greer, Jr.
Greenfield	Fred B. Brooks.
Greenville	Louis O. Boisvert.
Hancock	Ernest L. Adams.
Hillsborough	John S. Childs.
	Herbert H. Eaton.
Hollis	Wilbert P. Farley.
Hudson	Henry C. Brown.
Lyndeborough	John A. Spalding.
Manchester—	
Ward 1	Harry B. Cilley.
	Charles H. Gile.
	George Allen Putnam.
Ward 2	Oscar F. Bartlett.
	William F. Howes.
	Harry T. Lord.
	Edwin A. Norton.
Ward 3	Henry W. Burman.
	James H. Cavanaugh.
	Wilbur G. Colcord.*
	Alvah H. Gray.
	George E. Prime.
	John F. Roberts.

Manchester—

Ward 4	Parker R. Brown.
	Frank H. Challis.
	William G. Garmon.
	Henry I. Haselton.
	Ernest A. Merrill.
Ward 5	James V. Broderick.
	John J. Gorham.
	Eugene Heffron.
	James J. Jennings.
	Thomas D. Kelley.
	Joseph P. Kenney.
	Peter J. Magan.
	Patrick Sheridan.
	Jeremiah J. Tobin.
Ward 6	Rollin B. Johnston.
	Cyrus A. Kimball.
	Fred D. Pierce.
	William S. Rainford.
	Leroy M. Streeter.
Ward 7	Emile J. Godbout.
	James B. McCarthy.
	Albert A. Richard.
Ward 8	Joseph Chevrette.
	Michael S. Donnelly.
	Israel Smith.
	Cornelius J. Sullivan, Jr.
Ward 9	Henry W. Allen.
	Andrew B. Dobbie.
	Patrick B. Maloney.
	Donald McIntyre.
	Peter F. White.
Ward 10	Hiram H. Appelman.
	Fred H. Hecker.
	Theophile B. Larivee.
Ward 11	Henry R. Blais.
	Jeremiah J. Leahy.
	John B. Mullen.

Manchester—	
Ward 12	Philip G. Cote.
	Wilfred Lamy.
	Alfred F. Maynard.
	Edward E. Rajotte.
Ward 13	Joseph Arthur Dionne.
	George Francoeur, Jr.
	Remi Gagnon.
	Pierre Gauthier.
	Romeo M. Janelle.
Mason	Tracy A. Eaton.
Merrimack	Charles F. Young.
Milford	Samuel A. Lovejoy.
	George A. McIntire
	Frank W. Ordway.
Mont Vernon	George D. Kittredge.
Nashua—	
Ward 1	James H. Hunt.
	Ovid F. Winslow.
Ward 2	Walter R. Avard.
	Charles H. Jackman.
Ward 3	Alphonse Boivert.
	John P. Lampron.*
	Noe Richard.
Ward 4	William E. Foisie.
Ward 5	Robert Earley.
	Michael P. Sullivan.
Ward 6	George J. O'Neil.
Ward 7	Raymond S. Cotton.
	James A. Gallagher.*
	Frank O. Morse.
Ward 8	James B. Hallisey.
	Irenee D. Ravenelle.
	John T. Winn.
Ward 9	Remi Aubut.
	Joseph Larouche.
	Arthur A. Pelletier.*
	George L. Soucy.

New Boston	George L. Hooper.
New Ipswich	Robert B. Walker.
Pelham	Harold S. Frost.
Peterborough	John W. Derby.
	Maurice H. Nichols.
Weare	Frank H. Peaslee.
Wilton	Stanley H. Abbot.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.

Alstead	George F. Lewis.
Chesterfield	Ellon A. Safford.*
Dublin	Willard H. Pierce.
Fitzwilliam	Clarence M. Damon.
Gilsum	Lansing W. Wilder.
Harrisville	Seldon P. Tuttle.
Hinsdale	William G. Booth.
Jaffrey	Joseph D. Donahue.
	Will J. Mower.
Keene—	
Ward 1	William J. Callahan.
	Ora C. Mason.
Ward 2	Herbert E. Fay.
	Henry E. Swan.
Ward 3	Forrest J. Hall.
	Herman C. Rice.
Ward 4	Wilder F. Gates.
Ward 5	Willie A. Dodge.
Marlborough	Charles A. Bemis.
Richmond	Calvin S. Anderson.
Rindge	Oren F. Sawtell.
Swanzey	Raymond L. Lane.
Troy	Ernest F. Barrett.
Walpole	William J. King.
	Arthur E. Wells.
Westmoreland	Asa A. Whitman.
Winchester	Osmon B. Barney.
	Henry T. Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Acworth	Merle E. Reed.
Charlestown	James W. Davidson.
Claremont	Charles W. Barney.
	Hartley L. Brooks.
	Clarence B. Etsler.
	Frank G. Putnam.
	Emerson A. Quimby.
	Arthur S. Wolcott.
Cornish	Robert A. Austin.
Croydon	Edgar W. Davis.
Goshen	Arthur W. Nelson.
Langdon	George L. Porter.
Lempster	Erastus L. Lovejoy.
Newport	Elmer E. Dodge.
	Harry W. Kendall.
	Silas C. Newell.
Plainfield	Harold W. Chellis.
Springfield	George D. Philbrick.
Sunapee	Leo L. Osborne.
Washington	Sumner N. Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.

Alexandria	George E. Watson.
Ashland	Charles H. Pattee.
Bath	Amos N. Blandin.
Bethlehem	Frederic C. Abbe.
Bristol	Hiram T. Heath.
Campton	Lester M. Avery.
Canaan	Paul M. Kelley.
Enfield	Allen H. Jackman.
Franconia	William D. Rudd.
Grafton	Edgar G. Pariso.
Groton	Lewis C. Dane.
Hanover	Don S. Bridgman.
	Ransom S. Cross.
Haverhill	Pardon W. Allen.
	Daniel Carr.

Haverhill	Harold K. Davison.
Holderness	Charles A. Haskell.
Landaff	Harry E. Poor.
Lebanon	Fred A. Jones.
	George E. Liscomb.
	Harry E. Messenger.
	Charles B. Ross.
	Albert Sara.
Lincoln	Willard C. Fogg.
Lisbon	Oscar E. Batchelder.
	William E. Price.
Littleton	Orrin W. Hunkins.
	Ora A. Mooney.
	Harry M. Morse.
Lyman	Carl E. Mason.
Lyme	George A. Pushee.
Monroe	George L. Frazer.
Orford	Willard R. Harris.
Piermont	William B. Deal.
Plymouth	Walter M. Flint.
	William M. Peppard.
Rumney	Vernon E. Atwood.
Thornton	Ralph D. Steele.
Warren	Daniel H. McLinn.
Wentworth	Walter S. Libbey.
Woodstock	Elmer E. Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.

Berlin—	
Ward 1	Nathan Abramson.
	Miner B. Carpenter.
	Thomas H. Sheridan.
Ward 2	James C. Curits.
	Alexander E. A. MacDonald. *
	Theodore Morin.*
Berlin—	
Ward 3	William Beaudoin.
	William J. Oleson.
	William Willett.

Berlin—	
Ward 4	George E. Hutchins.
Carroll	Joseph Alfred Seymour.
Colebrook	Loren C. Hill.
	Charles O. Stevens.
Columbia	Maurice M. Cass.
Dalton	James B. Simonds.
Gorham	Charles G. Hamlin.
	Bartholomew F. McHugh.
Jefferson	Austin J. Bedell.
Lancaster	Frank H. Forbes.
	John Grannis.
	George E. Long.
Milan	Osmer T. Cole.
Northumberland	Robert E. Christopher.
	Daniel W. Marshall.*
Pittsburg	James R. Blodgett.
Shelburne	Mark S. Rix.
Stark	Harry W. Stone.
Stewartstown	Bernice C. Banfill.
Stratford	William H. Kimball.
Whitefield	Frank P. Brown.

*Those marked with an asterisk were not present, but appeared and qualified later, as will be found in the daily proceedings of the House.

The clerk then called the House to order and stated that the first business before the House was the election of a temporary presiding officer.

Mr. Childs of Hillsborough placed in nomination Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock and moved his election.

On a *viva voce* vote Mr. Woodbury was declared elected temporary presiding officer, and was escorted to the chair by Mr. Childs of Hillsborough.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House proceeded to the election of a Speaker by ballot. The presiding officer appointed Messrs. Dodge of Concord and Callahan of Keene as a committee to receive, sort and count the votes.

Mr. Callahan for the committee reported the following result of the ballot:

Whole number of votes cast	385
Necessary to a choice	193
William N. Rogers had	106
Fred A. Jones had	279

and Fred A. Jones, having a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Speaker.

The Speaker addressed the House as follows:

Members of the Legislature of 1921:

The difficult task you have assigned to me this day by your suffrage so generously given, I accept with a profound feeling of thankfulness in my heart for the honor conferred, and I welcome the task because I recognize in it an opportunity for service to God, my Country and my fellowmen. In this difficult task, I beseech you, one and all, to give me your zealous and helpful co-operation and support, to the end that we may efficiently, economically and expeditiously perform all our duties to the glory of the State and the weal of all her people.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. McHugh of Gorham,—

Resolved, That Harrie M. Young be elected clerk Bernard W. Carey be elected assistant clerk, Walter J. A. Ward be elected sergeant-at-arms, and that Guy S. Neal, Frank P. Collins, Horace F. Hoyt and Charles W. Buzzell be elected doorkeepers.

Harrie M. Young and Bernard W. Carey then appeared and were duly qualified by taking the oath as clerk and assistant clerk, respectively.

HARRIE M. YOUNG,
Clerk for 1919-1920.

Walter J. A. Ward was declared elected sergeant-at-arms, and Guy S. Neal, Frank P. Collins, Horace F. Hoyt and

Charles W. Buzzell were declared elected doorkeepers for the ensuing two years.

The above named then appeared and qualified for their respective positions by taking the oath of office.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene,—

Resolved, That the Honorable Senate be informed that the House of Representatives has organized by the election of Fred A. Jones as Speaker, Harrie M. Young as clerk, Bernard W. Carey as assistant clerk, and Walter J. A. Ward as sergeant-at-arms, and is now ready to proceed with the business of the session.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord,—

Resolved, That the rules of the last House be the rules for the present session until otherwise ordered by the House; with the exception of Rule 35, relating to committees and their duties, which be so amended as to allow of the appointment of two additional members on the Committee on the Judiciary and on the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Swan of Keene,—

Resolved, That a committee of ten members, one from each county, be appointed by the Chair to select some suitable person to act as chaplain during the present session of the legislature and report such selection to the House for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield,—

Resolved, That the clerk be authorized to secure the services of two stenographers for the use of the Speaker and clerks and one for the use of the members and for committee hearings.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House is hereby authorized to appoint the following employees of the House:

One custodian of mail and supplies, one warden of coat room, one assistant warden of coat room, one library messenger, one telephone messenger, five pages of the House and one page to the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, That unless otherwise ordered, the hours of

assembling of the House be 11 o'clock in the forenoon and 2 o'clock in the afternoon until January 26.

On motion of Mr. Hunt of Nashua,—

Resolved, That the drawing of seats be made a special order for this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the Honorable Senate be informed that the House of Representatives will be ready to meet the Senate in joint convention for the purpose of canvassing the votes for governor and councilors, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Cross of Hanover,—

Resolved, That the use of the General Committee room be granted the Farmers' Council, Thursday morning at nine o'clock for purposes of organization.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives be informed that the Senate, having assembled, has organized by the choice of Leslie P. Snow, as President, Clarence S. Forsaith as clerk, Bernard B. Chase as assistant clerk, William H. Knox as sergeant-at-arms, Frederick W. Moore, as messenger, Frank D. Gay as doorkeeper, and is now ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives be informed that the Honorable Senate will be ready to meet the House in joint convention for the purpose of canvassing the votes for the governor and councilors, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Speaker announced the following standing committees:

Agriculture.—Scott of Deerfield, Hall of Keene, Pearson

of Stratham, Chellis of Plainfield, Leavitt of Effingham, Heath of Bristol, Lovejoy of Milford, Straw of Hopkinton, Angell of Derry, Austin of Cornish, Cross of Hanover, Merrill of Manchester, Frazer of Monroe, Cass of Columbia, Colcord of Candia.

Agricultural College.—Lovejoy of Milford, Daniell of Greenland, Willey of Durham, Kelley of Concord, Messenger of Lebanon, Holmes of Henniker, Knox of Madbury, Austin of Cornish, Dobbie of Manchester, Abbot of Wilton, Deal of Piermont, Forbes of Lancaster, Coombs of Winchester, Cole of Milan, Sawyer of Salisbury.

Appropriations.—Lord of Manchester, Ahern of Concord, Collins of Danville, Childs of Hillsborough, Ordway of Milford, Clow of Wolfeboro, Hunt of Nashua, Swan of Keene, Tilton of Laconia, Willey of Newmarket, Meader of Rochester, Bridgman of Hanover, Kelley of Canaan, Curtis of Berlin, Murdock of Hill, McHugh of Gorham, Barrett of Dover.

Banks.—Brown of Concord, Fairbanks of Dover, Thayer of Concord, Brooks of Claremont, Carter of Tilton, Kendall of Newport, Daniell of Greenland, McDuffee of Rochester, Fay of Keene, Liscomb of Lebanon, Morin of Berlin, Sawyer of Salisbury, Stevens of Colebrook, Blandin of Bath, Berry of New Durham.

Claims.—Dodge of Newport, Booth of Hinsdale, Foss of Dover, Sawyer of Atkinson, Call of Chichester, Gordon of New Hampton, Marshall of Northumberland, Jackman of Enfield, Hopkins of Laconia, Colcord of Candia, Poor of Landaff, Soucy of Nashua, Magan of Manchester, Emerson of Newbury, Smith of Manchester.

County Affairs.—Blanchard of Moultonborough, Barney of Claremont, Danforth of Concord, Smith of Farmington, Preston of Auburn, Page of Gilmanton, Cobb of Bartlett, Lord of Dunbarton, Streeter of Manchester, Hooper of New Boston, Kimball of Manchester, Sargent of Northfield, Barrett of Troy, Libby of Wentworth, Brown of Epping.

Education.—Dudley of Exeter, Fairbanks of Dover, Otis of Concord, Carr of Haverhill, Harris of Orford, Haskell of Windham, Ibbotson of Plaistow, Challis of Manchester,

Howes of Manchester, Quimby of Claremont, Pattee of Ashland, Hall of Keene, Towle of Northwood, Pushee of Lyme, Kimball of Stratford.

Elections.—Hodgdon of Portsmouth, Wolcott of Claremont, Knights of East Kingston, Oleson of Berlin, Rudd of Franconia, Putnam of Claremont, Bemis of Marlborough, Spalding of Lyndeborough, Cobb of Bartlett, Kenison of Allenstown, Smith of Seabrook, Fish of Kensington, MacDonald of Berlin, Lampron of Nashua, Adams of Hancock.

Fisheries and Game.—McIntire of Milford, McLinn of Warren, Blodgett of Pittsburg, Reynolds of Dover, Blanchard of Moultonborough, Frost of Pelham, Messenger of Lebanon, Jackman of Nashua, Damon of Fitzwilliam, Johnston of Manchester, Knox of Madbury, Davidson of Charlestown, Gray of Jackson, Pridham of Newcastle, Davenport of Londonderry.

Forestry.—Cole of Salem, Woodbury of Woodstock, Doe of Rollinsford, Murdock of Hill, McCrillis of Sandwich, Pushee of Lyme, Sawyer of Wilmot, Greer of Goffstown, Young of Merrimack, Abbot of Wilton, Berry of Barnstead, Mason of Keene, Porter of Langdon, Jameson of Portsmouth, Heffernan of Portsmouth.

Incorporations.—Brooks of Claremont, Coombs of Winchester, Fiske of Chester, Grant of Belmont, Colby of Bow, Pettee of Francestown, Rainford of Manchester, Walker of New Ipswich, Wilder of Gilsum, Reed of Acworth, Willet of Berlin, Abramson of Berlin, Mason of Lyman, Wells of Walpole, Dodge of Concord.

Industrial School.—Danforth of Concord, Barney of Claremont, Wentworth of Dover, Larivee of Manchester, Pierce of Dublin, Roberts of Manchester, Stone of Stark, Pariso of Grafton, Durnin of Dover, Ela of Conway, Mower of Jaffrey, Rockwood of Brookline, Bates of Pembroke, Kempton of Laconia, Kelley of Sandown.

Insurance.—Barrett of Dover, Callahan of Keene, Putnam of Manchester, Hunkins of Littleton, Cavanaugh of Manchester, Sherry of Dover, Blanchard of Moultonborough, Benfield of Portsmouth, Mullen of Manchester,

Gelinas of Rochester, Jordan of Concord, Fernald of Nottingham, Little of Tilton, Carr of Haverhill, Hutchins of Berlin.

Judiciary.—Morse of Littleton, Thayer of Concord, Rogers of Wakefield, Shackford of Dover, Davison of Haverhill, Brown of Concord, Price of Lisbon, Hatch of Exeter, Abbott of Antrim, Etsler of Claremont, Avery of Laconia, Putnam of Manchester, Stone of Andover, Normandin of Laconia, Flint of Plymouth, Frost of Fremont, Davis of Derry.

Labor.—Sara of Lebanon, Tuck of Concord, Maloney of Manchester, Winn of Nashua, Carter of Tilton, Larivee of Manchester, Abbe of Bethlehem, Newton of Concord, Yeaton of Rollinsford, Burman of Manchester, Blais of Manchester, Parsons of Somersworth, Cotton of Nashua, Newell of Newport, Morey of Hart's Location.

Liquor Laws.—Lane of Swanzey, Ross of Lebanon, Callahan of Keene, Garmon of Manchester, Gilchrist of Franklin, Pillsbury of Derry, Wilson of Sanbornton, Pierce of Manchester, Palmer of Tuftonboro, Moody of Dover, Parker of Hampton Falls, Cummings of Bradford, Nelson of Goshen, Boucher of Somersworth, Dane of Groton.

Manufactures.—Fogg of Lincoln, Carter of Tilton, Bell of Bennington, Liscomb of Lebanon, Frost of Fremont, Newton of Concord, Towle of Northwood, Rousseau of Newmarket, Mooney of Littleton, Adams of Pittsfield, Long of Lancaster, Swenson of Concord, Hunt of Derry, Smith of Farmington, Robinson of Concord.

Mileage.—Woodbury of Woodstock, Quimby of Claremont, Sawtell of Rindge, Piper of Meredith, Ladd of Loudon, Brown of Goffstown, Farley of Hollis, Eaton of Mason, Beaudoin of Berlin, Sheridan of Berlin, Gallagher of Nashua, Early of Nashua, Tuttle of Harrisville, Tobin of Manchester, Maynard of Manchester.

Military Affairs.—Cilley of Manchester, Donahue of Jaffrey, Thompson of Franklin, Gorham of Manchester, Anderson of Richmond, Christopher of Northumberland, Sawyer of Sutton, Hett of Portsmouth, Clough of Franklin,

Lovejoy of Lempster, Dane of Groton, O'Neil of Nashua, Barrett of Troy, Forcier of Pembroke, Tuttle of Farmington.

National Affairs.—Murdock of Hill, Blue of Conway, Atwood of Rumney, Evans of Rochester, Hill of Colebrook, Nichols of Peterborough, Gray of Manchester, Sanborn of Newmarket, Kelley of Manchester, Simonds of Dalton, Batchelder of Lisbon, Philbrick of Springfield, Barney of Winchester, Hooper of New Boston, Richard of Manchester.

Normal Schools.—Rice of Keene, Foisie of Nashua, Peppard of Plymouth, Brown of Hudson, Farnum of Boscawen, Chase of Warner, Appelman of Manchester, Davis of Lee, Palmer of Tuftonboro, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Phelps of Conway, Hallisey of Nashua, White of Manchester, Sheridan of Manchester, Boisvert of Greenville.

Public Health.—Hodsdon of Ossipee, Amsden of Concord, Fairbanks of Dover, Knapp of Danbury, Doe of Rollinsford, Farnum of Boscawen, Foss of Dover, Doe of Newfields, Philbrook of Laconia, Abramson of Berlin, Libbey of Wentworth, Avard of Nashua, Haselton of Manchester, Cross of Concord, Clarke of Concord.

Public Improvements.—Winslow of Nashua, Crane of New London, Brown of Hudson, Haley of Rochester, Haskell of Holderness, Davis of Croydon, Peppard of Plymouth, Cavanaugh of Manchester, Lowe of Rochester, Holmes of Henniker, Damon of Fitzwilliam, Hall of Washington, Lawrence of Epsom, Young of Wolfeboro, King of Walpole.

Railroads.—McReel of Exeter, Otis of Concord, Perkins of Freedom, Hamlin of Gorham, Phelps of Conway, Steele of Thornton, Haley of Rochester, Hodsdon of Ossipee, Rand of Gilford, Sargent of Concord, Pierce of Dublin, Tarlson of Laconia, Brown of Manchester, Kilton of Bedford, Sullivan of Manchester.

Retrenchment and Reform.—Davis of Alton, Stevens of Kingston, Schurman of Portsmouth, Page of Gilmanton, Kilton of Bedford, Brown of Manchester, Peaslee of Weare, Bartlett of Franklin, Kimball of Stratford, Brooks of Green-

field, Ellsworth of Deering, Dionne of Manchester, Morse of Nashua, Seymour of Carroll, Cole of Milan.

Revision of the Statutes.—Flint of Plymouth, Fellowes of Exeter, Gilchrist of Franklin, Allen of Haverhill, Scott of Deerfield, Haigh of Salem, Lee of Concord, Broderick of Manchester, Challis of Manchester, Kenney of Manchester, Winn of Nashua, Derby of Peterborough, Hecker of Manchester, Peaslee of Weare, Trapp of Laconia.

Roads, Bridges and Canals.—King of Walpole, Bedell of Jefferson, Eaton of Hillsborough, Tarlson of Laconia, Head of Eaton, McCrillis of Sandwich, Chellis of Plainfield, Ely of Pittsfield, Woodward of Rochester, Smart of Dover, Perkins of Freedom, Kelley of Canaan, Mason of Keene, Schenck of Tamworth, Brown of Epping.

School for Feeble Minded.—Bell of Laconia, Gile of Manchester, Davis of Lee, Booth of Hinsdale, Young of Merrimack, Carpenter of Berlin, Heffron of Manchester, Godbut of Manchester, Cote of Manchester, Gauthier of Manchester, Aubut of Nashua, Rix of Shelburne, Lee of Concord, Dow of North Hampton, Sullivan of Nashua.

Soldiers' Home.—Hunt of Nashua, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Schenck of Tamworth, Haigh of Salem, Pillsbury of Derry, Norton of Manchester, Clarke of Concord, Davis of Alton, Hartford of Milton, Rainville of Somersworth, Jenness of Rye, Andrews of Newton, Danforth of Concord, Hodgdon of Portsmouth, Hamlin of Gorham.

State Hospital.—Amsden of Concord, Hodsdon of Ossipee, Danforth of Concord, Kelley of Concord, Avery of Campton, Dodge of Keene, Kittredge of Mont Vernon, Allen of Manchester, Cass of Pembroke, Sargent of Concord, Peaslee of Laconia, Leary of Somersworth, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Bartlett of Manchester, Whitman of Westmoreland.

State Prison.—Brown of Whitefield, Prime of Manchester, Flanders of Brentwood, Dodge of Amherst, Otterson of Hooksett, Mason of Canterbury, Gates of Keene, Chevrette of Manchester, Rajotte of Manchester, Janelle of Manchester, Boisvert of Nashua, Larouche of Nashua,

McCarthy of Manchester, Letourneau of Somersworth, Gove of Raymond.

Towns.—Grannis of Lancaster, Watson of Alexandria, Safford of Chesterfield, Heath of Bristol, Dow of North Hampton, Cole of Hampton, Perreault of Somersworth, Banfill of Stewartstown, Lamy of Manchester, Francoeur of Manchester, Gagnon of Manchester, Garneau of Franklin, Donnelly of Manchester, Cox of Portsmouth.

Unfinished Business.—Willey of Durham, Preston of Auburn, Randell of Hampstead, Locke of Barrington, Rand of Gilford, Lord of Dunbarton, McIntyre of Manchester, Jennings of Manchester, Gorham of Manchester, McCarthy of Manchester, Ravenelle of Nashua, Pelletier of Nashua, Leahy of Manchester, Linchey of Portsmouth, Sullivan of Nashua.

Ways and Means.—Collins of Danville, Price of Lisbon, Houston of Dover, Hamlin of Gorham, Chase of Warner, Foisie of Nashua, Bell of Bennington, Brown of Whitefield, Rudd of Franconia, Knights of East Kingston, Gray of Jackson, Yeaton of Rollinsford, Schenck of Tamworth, Osborne of Sunapee, Leavitt of Concord.

Rules.—The Speaker, Morse of Littleton, Lord of Manchester, Rogers of Wakefield, Ahern of Concord.

Journal of the House.—The Speaker, Doe of Newfields, Lewis of Alstead.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Engrossed Bills.—Dudley of Exeter, Mooney of Littleton,

State House and State House Yard.—Brown of Concord, Clow of Wolfeboro, Stevens of Colebrook.

State Library.—Bemis of Marlborough, Leavitt of Effingham, Nelson of Goshen.

Pursuant to a resolution recently passed the Speaker announced the following committee to select a chaplain:

Swan of Keene, Frost of Fremont, Knox of Madbury, Philbrook of Laconia, Young of Wolfeboro, Otis of Concord, Nichols of Peterborough, Davidson of Charlestown, Liscomb of Lebanon, McHugh of Gorham.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.10 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The house met at 2 o'clock.

IN CONVENTION.

The Honorable Senate then came in and the two branches being in convention,

On motion of Mr. Bridgman of Hanover,—

Resolved, That the Honorable Secretary of State be requested to lay before the convention the return of the votes for Governor and Councilors cast in the last election.

The Honorable Secretary of State then appeared and laid before the convention the return of the votes for Governor and councilors cast in the last election.

On motion of Senator Winant of District No. 9,

Resolved, That the votes for Governor and councilors be referred to a committee consisting of one on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House, to examine, compare and count the same, and report thereon.

The chairman named as such committee, Senator Winant of District No. 9 and Messrs. Liscomb of Lebanon, and Stevens of Colebrook.

On motion of Senator Emerson of District No. 12,—

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to wait upon His Excellency, John H. Bartlett, Governor, and inform him that a quorum of each branch of the legislature has assembled and completed its organization and is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

The chairman named as such committee, Senators Emerson of District No. 12 and Morin of District No. 13, and Messrs., Angell of Derry, Blue of Conway and Pridham of Newcastle.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Senator Winant of District No. 9, for the joint committee, to whom was referred the return of the votes cast for Gov-

ernor and Councilors at the last biennial election, reported that they had examined, compared and counted the same, with the following result:

FOR GOVERNOR.

Albert O. Brown had 93,273
Charles E. Tilton had 62,174
Francis T. Butler had 1,080

and Albert O. Brown, having a plurality of all the votes cast, is elected governor for the ensuing two years.

FOR COUNCILORS.

District No. 1.

George W. Barnes had 19,065
George A. Veasie had 12,552

District No. 2.

Albert Hislop had 22,006
Edgar J. Ham had 11,528

District No. 3.

George E. Trudel had 18,404
John G. Welpley had 11,969

District No. 4.

George L. Sadler had 17,822
Roscoe F. Proctor had 10,476

District No. 5.

Fred S. Roberts had 20,926
Charles B. Rogers had 13,008

and George W. Barnes, Albert Hislop, George E. Trudel, George L. Sadler and Fred S. Roberts, having a plurality of all the votes cast in their respective districts, are elected councilors for the ensuing two years.

The report was accepted.

Senator Emerson of District No. 12 reported that the committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, John H. Bartlett, Governor had attended to that duty and that

His Excellency the Governor had a communication which he desired to make.

The Governor, attended by the Honorable Council, appeared and delivered the following address:

Members of the General Court of 1921:

The administration which is now ending has dealt with that period of New Hampshire's history immediately following the victorious conclusion of the most devastating and deadly world war. The next biennial period which is entrusted to my worthy successor and to you, will also have its very serious problems. In passing to others the insignia of office and public trust, it becomes our duty to give at least a brief report of our stewardship, and to endow you with such recital concerning our experience as may be helpful in continuing without impairment the progress of the ship of state.

In accordance with the law, the departments have already prepared reports in detail of their service within the jurisdictional limits defined by statute. These reports must all be studied by one who seeks to know the condition of the state, I express no opinion of the departmental requests for appropriations.

The retiring administration began the enactment of certain laws and the making of certain appropriations which may be found in the pamphlet entitled "Laws of 1919." Your work begins where this volume ends.

Two pieces of legislation enacted during the past two years will undoubtedly stand forever towering at mountain height above all others. I refer to "suffrage" and to "prohibition." These are history. With a strong public sentiment behind them, and because they are so manifestly right in principle, there can be little doubt that they will be allowed to remain as completed and settled issues.

Next in importance as marking a real epoch in our state was the adoption of the principles of "Americanization," "Equalization," and "Supervision" with relation to our school system. At a time when reconstruction measures of

the surest objective were desperately sought as necessities of continued national existence, this legislation was particularly fortunate, and has made New Hampshire somewhat of a pioneer in the new era of schools following the war.

Of the soundness of the principles there can be no question. Of the wisdom of making the state the educational unit, and directing center of all public schools it would seem there could be no doubt. Of the advisability of having a state school board of practical business men to act as an administrative and judicial bulwark, there can scarcely be any difference of opinion. An organization of highly trained professional, and more or less technical educators requires the solid backing of courage and common sense which should always exist in a state board, and which I believe does exist in our board which consists of Messrs. Streeter, Hutchins, Fry, Lessard and Paine. I desire here to express my deep appreciation of their splendid service.

With reference to finances, particularly, the new school law is not well understood because of the fact that it consolidates lines of work formerly done separately, and in other matters acts as a kind of clearing house. It might seem to the casual observer to have added more to the expenses of the state than it really has.

The law compels universal supervision. Prior to it, there was no supervision in a large number of places and those were the ones that most needed it. This additional supervision costs someone about $70,000. The law provides for paying for all supervision in the state by a $2-per-child tax. This method distributes the expense so that the more favored centers, to some extent, aid in bearing the burden of less favored communities. Experience has proven that $2 is not enough for this purpose unless the salaries of the superintendents are to be reduced. The state board decided that men having such important work to do should be men who are worth $2,000,—should be men of that size. The law permits the districts or unions to increase this sum by bearing one-half the increase themselves. The fact that every union in the state has itself increased this minimum

salary, entirely relieves the state board of any criticism that they are too high.

You have a right if you desire, to amend the law making, the districts pay all the increase, or you may reduce the minimum if you desire. But in doing so you are sending cheaper men into these important fields to feed the minds of future Americans. There are sixty-four supervisory unions. The salaries amounted last year to $186,596, which was about $40,000 in excess of the receipts from the $2 tax. The state board collects the tax and pays the superintendents who were formerly paid from the city or town treasuries.

The "equalization" feature of the law is as large as you care to make it. Many poor towns cannot have decent schools unless the state aids them. Last year $283,000 was used for this purpose. This amount does very good work. I note that the board this year suggests $400,000. This would do excellent work. It is your problem.

The actual additional expense for administering the department is only about $15,000 more than the old system of administration.

The state board carried on without interruption the work of the former Department of Public Instruction, including the direction of the two normal schools, the administration of the child labor and mother's aid laws, and the inspection and approval of high schools.

The state aid has made possible a thirty-six-week year for all children, giving 6500 rural school children at least four weeks more of schooling than the districts have ever been able to give them before.

The board has caused 526 of the 1117 school buildings in use to be improved or remodeled along better lines.

It has formulated and put into operation plans for the systematic improvement of the health of school children. It has brought to clinics 117 children. It has extended health supervision until it has reached 98 per cent of our public school children.

It has been able to so combine the districts of the state

into supervisory unions that economical supervision is for the first time possible. It has employed well trained and experienced superintendents for all unions.

For the first time it has certified or licensed all teachers in our schools. It has improved the quality of instruction by accepting as teachers only those who meet fixed standards of education and training. The morale of the profession has been improved.

It has brought Americanization ideals to thousands of foreign-born and has increased the attendance at evening schools from 1500 to 6000.

It has secured co-operative working relations with the parochial schools of the Roman Catholic church and with other private schools, and has sympathetically inspected and reported on all such schools. I officially commend this patriotic co-operation.

It has accomplished these results in a period of advancing costs at a total increase in expense to state and district of about 21 per cent.

The worst abuse of advancing costs is in connection with the law compelling the transportation of school children. The total cost of all transportation of pupils in the state in 1916 was $90,000, but by 1920 it had increased to $195,000. There must be some wrong here somewhere. For your information only, I quote a few other figures. The total cost of all schools in the state in 1916 was $2,285,000 in 1918 it was $3,248,000, and in 1920 it was $3,960,000, or a gain in two years of about 21 percent as compared with the gain of about 42 percent for the preceding two years. The total cost of all teachers in the state was $1,269,000 in 1916, and $2,071,000 in 1920. Janitors' salaries increased from $100,000 to $175,000, text books from $55,000 to $81,000, fuel, light and incidentals from $128,000 to $248,000.

The cost of all schools in the state in 1920 averaged approximately $7 on a thousand on all taxable property in the state. But there were almost shocking differences however, in the different towns and cities. Some raised

only $3.50, while others raised as high as $12 on a thousand. These conditions which are being revealed under the careful study of the board opens up new problems. I think our present system is best calculated to solve them. The fact that the total school expense in the entire state increased only 21 per cent under the new board in the past two years as against at least 50 per cent increase in the cost of living and as against 42 per cent increase in schools themselves during the two years preceding the advent of the school board not only vindicates but extols the system.

There are outstanding instances of criticisable things in school matters but they are the discoveries of the law and not the off-spring of it. For instance, the city of Concord received school aid under the law in a class with needy towns. No city or town of over 3,000 people should be eligible to state aid or to be reimbursed for high school tuition.

No one who opposes the policy of putting money into the neediest towns in order that small children there may have a decent educational start in life can ever be heard to advocate appropriating even one cent toward giving the older boys and girls a college education at Durham or elsewhere. If we cannot afford to care for our small and helpless little ones, we certainly cannot afford to aid the strong "grown-ups" who can hunt for themselves for a college education, as many of us were obliged to do. The quality of our citizenship is developed in the district and elementary schools. The elementary schools are for all, the colleges for only a few. The young should have the first lien on our money.

The elementary schools of the country are being ruined by the far too numerous and extended requirements fixed by the college authorities. The high schools have a curriculum forced upon them by the college requirements that precludes the possibility of thoroughness. This high school situation compels the grammar schools to cover too much, to make the work superficial, to put languages in at the expense of the rudiments, and to spoil the training of the

many who can remain in school only a few years. The pace is too swift and the road too long for thoroughness. It is set by the college idealists for the benefit of the brilliant 10 percent, while the remaining 90 percent who are to become the backbone of our civilization fall by the wayside of learning, and go into life ignorant of those absolutely indispensable elements of education, and lamentably handicapped in the struggle for a livelihood.

The voice of the American people must cry out against such leadership by the college pace-setters. The average and ordinary boy and girl must have a chance to learn a few necessary things with abiding thoroughness. They cannot do this, and they do not do this, under the existing educational standards of this country today. The poor boys and girls who constitute the mass do not have a fair show in such a swift pace. They can go to school only a little while. It is bad for our civilization. We are as speed-mad in our educational system as we are in automobiling. I speak of it here only to aid in arousing public sentiment to fight what is next to crime against the young of our land.

This may well lead me to report on the State College. Its future policies must be left to other advisors. We have recognized its value, its important place and have appropriated more generously than usual for it. We have been, or have tried to be, as just friends to the institution as a survey of the interests of all departments in the state permitted us to be. It must continue to serve the cause of higher education in fields intended for it. But it is perfectly clear that we have in this college a vital question which must be dealt with carefully and firmly.

The state is not in sufficiently close business relation to this institution. We are educating young men there, and also young women, at an average loss, or cost, to the state of from $300 to $500 per scholar per year, and all of the increase falls upon the state treasury, since its permanent income is fixed. General expense conditions here will improve as prices go down. But the growth of the college

in numbers has been phenomenal, possibly alarming, considering the cost of each one to the state. There is scarcely no limit as to how large it may grow or as to how much it will cost.

I believe the state by a very definite law, after figuring out what it can annually afford to do for this institution, should most carefully prescribe by law the limits within which the college must keep in every line of its activity involving the public moneys. The state should, by some system of supervision make certain that those limits be not passed. I will go no further into the details of this question since my purpose is merely to emphasize that no department of the state should be permitted to establish, by its own action alone, any policies, practices, or salaries, which create debts for the legislature to meet.

This institution, as I understand it, has the power to borrow money, receive a limitless number of students, enlarge the college curriculum, erect new buildings, fix salaries, in other ways add to the permanent charge upon the state, and all without legislative authority. The state should be consulted first, before any step is taken which adds to the expense of the state. I express this view with positiveness, and with the reassurance that I am a friend of the college, and have the highest respect and admiration for the capable, honest, efficient and most excellent President of the college who is, in my opinion, one of the hardest worked men in the employ of the state, and also with full confidence in the excellent board of trustees.

I would expect that the president himself would prefer to have such a definite and fixed plan prescribed, and to know precisely the very definite policy of the state, and his financial limits, rather than be left in the maze of uncertainties and worries which surround his problem at the present time. There is, presumably, some limit on the amount of money which the state can afford to raise by taxation for this institution, consequently some limit upon the size to which it may be allowed to enlarge at the expense of the state. If this be so, let those limits be fixed. If it be not

so, let us be prepared (without censure) to raise any sums asked for to meet the debts created, or work to be performed. I can testify to the excellence of this college and I appeal very earnestly to all charitably inclined persons, and to benevolent will-makers to create memorial endowments to assist struggling students at this institution.

The Department of Agriculture is of very substantial value to the state. It is effectively and progressively managed, and I believe its funds are very economically administered. But it is for you to decide how much money shall be devoted to its various activities.

In cooperation with the federal bureau of Animal industry there developed an unlooked-for and serious situation with reference to bovine tuberculosis. Our appropriated funds were entirely insufficient to compensate for the necessary destruction of animals, and the governor and council, under emergency powers, transferred considerable sums to meet the crisis.

There exists sufficient evidence of at least a small percentage of transmissibility of this terrible disease to humans, and particularly to babies, enough to forbid ignoring it, although there are experts who are skeptical about the theory of transmissibility. All concede the commercial value of a good reputation for New Hampshire animal products in the general market, as to being free from this disease. We have no reason, however, to be panicky about it. Conditions here are much better than in most states.

The Bureau of Markets is proving of substantial help to the farmers and to the local purchasers as well. It is increasing in efficiency and practicability. The certainty of a market for the small producers is a great stimulus to additional endeavor.

A state like ours can afford as a business proposition to spend small amounts in judicious advertising. Our exhibition at Springfield in the autumn of 1919 was pronounced the best of the ten states there represented. Practically every kind of a New Hampshire enterprise was there dis-

played and exhibited to hundreds of thousands of people. We deemed the money well spent.

The Department of Agriculture attends to insect suppression, the regulation of the sale of commercial feeding stuffs, commercial fertilizer, fungicides and insecticides, testing agricultural seed, inspection of nurseries and nursery stock, registry of stallions, licensing of dealers in dairy products, inspection of fruit under the apple-grading law, and it holds profitable farmers' institutes. Its work should go on.

Vital beyond our usual conception is the highway problem. In general it may be said that the roads of the state viewed as an entire system, averaging up the good and the bad, have been a little better than in previous years, meaning by this that we are actually making some steady progress. The department has never been one half so well equipped as at present, having adopted a policy of owning instead of hiring. It now owns equipment property of a total value of nearly $500,000. It has purchased the three story brick structure known as the Eagle stables in Concord to house its machinery and tools and repair them. It has secured gratis about seventy-five high grade auto trucks from the federal government. It now shovels by steam instead of by hand where possible. It has begun to buy gravel banks in all parts instead of buying gravel by the load as formerly to a large extent. It has established repair gangs in different sections of the state, supplied them with facilities for doing good repair jobs more quickly, and has adopted the idea of repairing more and faster and building less, of keeping up what we have rather than allowing them to become too far worn out while we are trying to build too much new. When prices reached sky heights about six months ago we practically abandoned new construction, and, therefore, we now have about $300,000 ready to do projects when deemed wise to begin. One informed must admit that this department is in splendid condition. From my experience comes the conclusion that, with our present equipment and business methods, we can keep on improving our highway system each year by raising about the same amount of money as we

did two years ago, bearing in mind that the auto money is increasing and that it should be made to increase more rapidly by larger fees on heavy trucks.

The federal money comes to us with so many strings attached that we do not get nearly the practical advantage from it that we ought to receive.

We should be permitted to spend the federal aid money in a way suited to the needs of our own state. We ought to be trusted to that extent.

The tremendous destruction of our state roads when soft in the spring is the greatest waste that exists in the state. It is enormous when reduced to dollars and cents. For the first time we have attempted to invoke common law and prohibit the use of the roads by heavy trucks entirely during the soft season, and this, with some good results, but a statute law may be devised by you which will be more effectual.

Probably no state in the union has its roads worn out more than ours are by those autos which pay no license fee whatever. As a tourist state bidding for transient visitors this condition cannot be avoided unless we reduce the length of time in which they may remain free, or charge a fee to all. A financial compensation in part comes in the money left within the state by the summer tourists.

Patrolmen with horse power are unprofitable. They get over the road so slowly and do so little that the cost is not compensated for in results. Scientifically equipped and manned patching gangs with a few auto patrolmen, and better district supervision, would give better results for the same amount of money.

If the state lays out a road and then waits three years before it improves it a condition arises which is scandalous. The town waits for the state and the state waits for the money, while the public endanger their lives. This must be remedied. We have done a little to remedy such situations, but legislation is needed to cure it. It is far better to have passable roads everywhere than to have stretches of princely roads abruptly terminate in impassably bad ones, and besides, that creates a grave danger to life and limb. Ten

notoriously bad places in the roads of a state will give us more unfavorable advertising than can be overcome by hundreds of miles of magnificent boulevards. Our aim should be to keep all the roads at least decent, and then to add to our fine roads as fast as we may, while keeping up such a policy.

The recognition which we gave our world war defenders was $100, a medal, and a state certificate. This was creditable as compared with the action of other states. The law provided also for a memorial to the dead of the entire state to be placed in or about the State House. A complete honor-roll believed to be accurate has been made through the commendable efforts of our state historian, Professor Husband, and plans for the memorial, though underway, have been impossible of completion.

You will permit me on behalf of all our people to express very feeling gratitude to our service men and women, not only for their wonderful service, but for their stabilizing and loyal influence during the turbulent reconstruction days. And the splendid spirit with which they are uniting with the veterans of the Civil War and aiding them in their years of enfeebleness is worthy of special commendation. Regardless of all other consideration and understandings and without the least personal allusion or feeling, I deem it my duty to record the belief that for the highest good of the state its military establishment should be placed in the hands of those splendid heroes who risked their lives in the world war to preserve our civilization.

My experience as governor does not permit me to criticise in the least the prosecuting and police authorities of, or within, the state. My belief is, however, that the automobile has opened up the possibility of criminality in the rural communities of the state to an extent which has not been met with adequate police protection. Then again, the dangers from rioting, such as we experienced at Raymond, suggests that the state should be able to furnish police assistance without calling on the military establishment. We have state police now, but their jurisdiction is limited to the

work of particular departments. There is an opportunity, without additional expense to the state, to so organize and co-ordinate our prosecuting and police agencies, and the similar agencies of the counties, cities and towns, as to better meet the new conditions. The rural communities of the state, during the automobile season, require active motor police service both day and night, not only against speeding, but against all kinds of criminality.

Permit me to discuss things somewhat elementary in relation to our state finances, and this for the purpose of establishing a right view point.

The amount of the state tax for 1919 was $2,200,000.

For 1920 it was $1,700,000.

Prior to these years the state tax had been $800,000.

The reason for the increase was: to take care of obligations of over $350,000 necessarily left over from the preceding administration suddenly confronted with war conditions; to meet the probability of the same war scale of prices being kept up, which probability was more than realized, since the war prices not only kept up but continued to increase; and then $600,000 to pay the war bonus in part.

The legislature of 1919 voted no new buildings except a small farm house at Glencliff. It denied all requests for normal schools and armories, and dealt only in absolute necessities.

It enacted the so-called new school law which added around $300,000 to the state appropriation, and it dealt rather more liberally with the State College than had been done formerly, buying war buildings and paying old debts.

It released the war conditions on the balance of the military act funds of around $300,000 and put that at the disposal of the governor and council to parcel out to the departments as they became pinched by soaring price emergencies.

We had on hand at the end of the last fiscal year, viz: Sept. 1, 1920, the sum of $124,478.01.

There will be some deficit before the end of the next fiscal year, which no one can now definitely forecast.

Under the new executive budget law enacted by the last legislature, the various departments have put in their requests for the next two years, and, if our non-state-tax income remains the same, and all these requests are allowed by you the state tax will have to be about $2,200,000, or the same as it was in 1919.

There is a hopeful side to this situation. It is not for me to recommend what you shall do with these requests, but no legislature has ever allowed all every one asked.

Again there is hope in the future of prices. The state can certainly care for its more than 2000 pent-up wards more cheaply than during the past four years.

The extension of the inheritance tax law by act of legislature of 1919 will begin to show big results during the next two years producing an *additional* income of probably $200,000 per year.

The new corporation law will continue to increase our income, in my opinion.

It is scarcely possible that we will be confronted with such extraordinary emergencies as last year.

The automobile income will increase.

The insurance income will increase under its thorough and competent administration.

Firmly believing that we are headed in prices back toward normal, I believe you can, if you desire, to economize reasonably, bring the state tax back to somewhat below $2,000,000 without curtailing the efficiency of the school law or unduly limiting the State College, or any other established function of the commonwealth. I say this without prejudice to any policy which the next administration may have, and only to give you the view-point of my experience.

Now, I beg you to permit me to correct the erroneous impression that the state tax is what causes the local taxes to be so high. It is not. The state tax is the merest fraction of the local tax.

The total taxable property in the state on our present basis is $556,647,000. If we wish to raise $1,700,000, as we did last year, we first credit the railroads, insurance

companies, and savings banks tax of $1,040,000 leaving $660,000 to be raised by some other tax. This would require about $1.20 on a thousand. In other words, the tax rate in your town has increased about $1.20 on account of the state tax last year. If your rate was $31.20 it would have been $30.00 without the state tax. Every million dollars we raise for the state on the total valuation requires $1.80 if there are no credits. You will see by this that any taxation plan which only helps the state raise money will not give much relief to the local taxes in the towns and cities. Several towns and one city paid no state tax last year, but, on the contrary, received a check from the state.

I believe high taxes are fundamentally bad for any form or kind of government and exceedingly harmful to business. I favor some tax on "intangibles," but not a duplication of the government's income tax. Too easy money leads to profligacy.

The question of salaries and wages of such officials as are not fixed by law, but are left to the decision of the governor and council, has been extremely perplexing. Going through crises of rising wages and scarcity of labor, both male and female, we have dealt with individual cases in such ways as seemed for the time necessary to keep the work of the state going as unimpaired as possible. The time may have come now when the whole subject can be dealt with on some better and fairer basis, both to the state and to the employees involved.

This administration has not discovered a satisfactory solution of the transportation problem. We found a system of paying ten cents per mile for the use of privately owned autos by the state employees obliged to travel, but this was not universal as some of the departments owned cars. Urgent requests have been repeatedly made to us to increase this mileage allowance, but we have not done so, except in instances where it seemed that large cars were demanded by the service. How and when autos shall be used instead of railroad service has been and probably must be left to the

administration of each department. But the whole situation impresses me as rather loose. I will merely ask the question, "Should not the state own all its necessary automobiles, have a central garage, and require any state employee who has need of a car to go to this garage and procure one and have it charged up to his department, returning it and accounting for it as he would be required to do in a strict business system?" We had this somewhat in mind when we decided to buy the old Eagle stables.

The fish and game department, under executive direction and approval, has established at New Hampton one of the very best hatcheries in the entire country, in the opinion of government experts, and this from the income of the department. It should go a long way toward solving the fishing question in our state. With it we have a state park of 160 acres.

The Daniel Webster farm is another state park which, when made approachable, will add to our summer attractions.

The forestry department is doing good work. These departments which have to do with the material beauty and richness of our state must be looked upon as a part of a business proposition, not as luxuries.

The management of the state institutions by the several unpaid boards of trustees has been highly successful, so much so that I know of no one now who would change. The presence of councilors on these boards has been fully warranted. It has kept the executive in close touch. I wish to express my fullest appreciation to the various men and women who have given such valuable, loyal and patriotic service to the state.

The office of the purchasing agent under the new law has done its work well and efficiently.

Conditions at the Industrial School have been made more humane. Flogging has been abolished. But there is a great unsolved and fundamental problem there, in my opinion. More than half of these children should never have been put into a criminal institution with a life-long stigma

put upon them. They most need homes and kindness, things most of them have never had.

The State Hospital and the school at Laconia are both in excellent condition. The Sanatorium at Glencliff is doing splendid work, while the State prison is a model institution.

The work of the Board of Charities and Correction has been uniformly sympathetic, efficient and thorough.

The treasurer and auditors have been particularly careful and painstaking in their vigilance over the finances of the state. The legislature of 1919 was the last to have the valuable services of the late James E. French to guard the appropriations, and his final work was well done. This administration has gone beyond no limits set by law under his leadership.

The services of the secretary of state have been very exacting on account of the new corporation law, new duties, and the troubling details of elections, in addition to all former duties, and I think they deserve special mention.

My experience leads me to the conclusion that appropriations for any department, or for any cause should be made definite, and not made in addition to the varying income of that department. All incomes should go into the treasury as income.

Those of us whose sworn duty it is to administer or appropriate for all departments and causes, have a far different task than the head of any single department. Each of them naturally makes ambitious requests with a view only to his special activity and interest, while those who must view the whole, who must decide the relative importance of things, and who must "add," and see what the total should be, have an obligation to the state which demands far-seeing wisdom, unvarying fairness and courage. No executor or legislator can rightfully be the special friend or advocate of any one department. His duty is, at all times to have the whole machinery of the state in mind, and keep all in the right relation and proportion.

All of the departments have served the state well, and there has been a general desire for co-operation. I wish to

thank each one of my fellow servants in the employ of the state for his or her loyalty to the state, and an always ready and willing assistance. Particularly would I publicly appreciate the splendid services of my councilors, Messrs. Clow, Whittemore, Welpley, Goodnow and Brown.

The attempt which I have made to serve and benefit my native state has been in reverent good faith. How much I have succeeded is not for my utterance. I have thoroughly enjoyed the service, and shall forever prize its associations and friendships, and I pass along to my most respected and highly esteemed successor my sincerest wishes for God's blessing upon his labors.

There is an immediate and imperative call for us all in every small or large way to assist in tiding the poor and unemployed over this winter of hardship and privation to very many. This is not a state matter, it is merely the call to practical charity and fraternal patriotism, which I may be pardoned for uttering. If we stand helpfully and hopefully together during this winter I feel sure that better days of employment and business will open up to us in the springtime and summer, and continue improving into an epoch of real prosperity.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield.

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives, in convention assembled this fifth day of January, 1921, have listened with gratification to the farewell message of Governor John H. Bartlett, and hereby express to him the high esteem in which we hold him and his conduct of his office.

On motion of Senator Tufts of District No. 23,—

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to wait upon the Honorable Albert O. Brown and inform him officially of his election as governor of the State of New Hampshire, and that the Senate and House of Representatives are ready to receive any communication from His Excellency at such time as he may desire.

The chairman named as such committee, Senators Tufts of District No. 23 and Daniels of District No. 22 and Messrs. Brown of Whitefield, Collins of Danville and Kenney of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Blue of Conway,—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to wait upon George W. Barnes, Albert Hislop, George E. Trudel, George L. Sadler and Fred S. Roberts and inform them officially of their election to the Honorable Council.

The Chairman named as such committee Mr. Blue of Conway, Senator Orr of District No. 15 and Mr. Ahern of Concord.

On motion of Senator Orr of District No. 15 the convention rose.

HOUSE.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Nashua,—

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms of the House be instructed to procure and furnish to each member of the House and officers thereof, during the session, two daily newspapers, published in the state, each member and officer to choose the papers he desires to have, and indicate the same to the sergeant-at-arms forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the clerk of the House be instructed to procure as soon as possible, 2,000 copies of the Legislative manual, in substantially the same form as in 1919, for the use of the House and Senate and the Exectuive Department.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Ahern of Concord called for the special order, it being the drawing of seats.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the two women members of this house in honor of the first representation of their sex in this body, and Messrs. Callahan of Keene, Rogers of Wakefield,

Ahern of Concord, Wilder of Gilsum, Murdock of Hill and the chairmen of the committees on appropriations and judiciary, be privileged to select seats prior to the drawing of seats by the remaining members.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, That those members of the House who are members of the Grand Army of the Republic be permitted to select seats prior to the drawing of seats by the remaining members.

The Speaker states that the clerk would draw seats for the absent members.

The House then proceeded with the drawing of seats.

HOUSE ATTACHES.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted at the morning session, the Speaker announced the following appointments:

Custodian of Mail and Supplies, Frank M. Ayer of Alton; Warden of Coat Room, John S. Wheeler of Manchester; Assistant Warden, Peter Smith of Concord; Library Messenger, Charles E. Wendell of Dover; Telephone Messenger, M. J. Sullivan of Concord; Pages, Charles Benson of Concord; Francis Callahan of Keene; Howard H. Hamlin of Charlestown, Chase S. Shaw of Manchester, Keith Cousins of Manchester; Speaker's Page, Edison J. Minah of Franklin.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the clerk was instructed to procure the usual number of printed copies of the final message of His Excellency, the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill at 4.45 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Harold H. Niles of Concord.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Barrett of Troy was granted leave of absence for next week on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

Mr. Swan of Keene, for the committee appointed to select some suitable person to act as chaplain during the present session of the legislature, reported with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Rev. Harold H. Niles of Concord be elected Chaplain for the ensuing two years.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield,—

Resolved, That the Honorable Senate be notified that the House of Representatives will be ready to meet the Senate in joint convention at 11.30 o'clock for the purpose of receiving His Excellency, the Governor, and any communication he may be pleased to make, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such convention.

On motion of Mr. Schenck of Tamworth,—

Resolved, That the committee on Rules, with such members as the Senate may join, be a committee on joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord,—

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning, it be to meet tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock, and when the House adjourns tomorrow morning, it adjourn to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ordway of Milford,—

Resolved, That the Committee on Judiciary be and hereby is authorized to employ the services of a stenographer and a messenger.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that a committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to make the necessary assignment of rooms for the presiding officers and committees of the House and Senate, and to

report said assignments to the House and Senate as early as possible.

The Speaker appointed as such committee, Messrs. Ahern of Concord, Lord of Manchester and Otis of Concord.

CHANGES IN COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.

The Speaker announced the following changes in committee appointments:

Mr. Avery of Laconia from the Committee on the Judiciary to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Trapp of Laconia from the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ordway of Milford to the Committee on Banks in place of Mr. Carter of Tilton who very generously gave up his place on the committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its Clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate will be ready to meet the House of Representatives in joint convention as suggested by the House Message, at 11.30 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving His Excellency, the Governor, and any communication he may be pleased to make, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such convention.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 11.25 o'clock the House took a recess for 5 minutes.

(After recess)

IN CONVENTION.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Honorable Senate then came in and, the two branches being in convention, Senator Tufts of District No. 23, for the committee appointed to wait upon the Honorable Albert O. Brown and inform him officially of his election as

governor of the State of New Hampshire, reported that it had attended to its duty; that the Governor-elect had accepted said office, and would meet the Senate and House of Representives in convention at the earliest convenient time to take the oath of office and make such communication as he deemed proper.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the committee appointed to notify George W. Barnes, Albert Hislop, George E. Trudel, George L. Sadler and Fred S. Roberts of their election as members of the Honorable Council, reported that it had attended to its duty, and that the gentlemen named accepted the office to which they had been elected.

The report was accepted.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Senator Emerson of District No. 12,—

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of three, consisting of one senator and two representatives, to escort the Governor and Governor-elect to the House of Representatives.

The chairman appointed as such committee, Senator Emerson of District No. 12 and Messrs. Lord of Manchester and Willey of Newmarket.

The Governor, Governor-elect and the Honorable Council then came in, and the Honorable Albert O. Brown, Governor then took and subscribed to the oath of office and the oath of allegiance before the President of the Senate and in the presence of both branches of the legislature, whereupon the Hon. Leslie P. Snow, President of the Senate, made proclamation as follows:

Albert O. Brown, having been duly elected Governor of New Hampshire, accepted the office and taken the oath prescribed by the constitution, I do therefore declare and proclaim His Excellency, Albert O. Brown, Governor of the State of New Hampshire, to hold the office during the period prescribed by the constitution and laws of the state, and I present Your Excellency with a copy of the constitu-

tion of the state as a guide in the discharge of your official duties.

His Excellency then read the following message:

Senators and Members of the House of Representatives:

A transfer of the administration of state affairs from the very capable hands in which it has rested for the last two years into those as yet untried has been made in your presence. The trust is accepted with appreciation, in the hope of rendering service to the state. It is assumed with misgiving, however, because of the high standard set by those who have preceded me in the gubernatorial succession. And it is undertaken with notice that unusual difficulties and responsibilities are impending which cannot with honor be either avoided or declined. Some of these matters will be of legislative interest. As to them and as to any of like nature that may arise, I bespeak your support and your confidence, for which I freely promise to give you mine.

It is well for us to remember that no private ownership attaches to the offices into which we have been inducted. Others have held them before us and others will hold them after us. Even during the brief period of our incumbency they are not for our benefit in any private sense. They are the property of the state and exist solely for its advantage and profit.

Public office has now a new significance. It rests upon the suffrages of an enlarged electorate. For the first time the women throughout the state have been able to join with the men in electing a legislature to enact laws and an executive to enforce them. The ballot, given to women with some measure of hesitation, if not reluctance, has been so intelligently used that few would take it back.

The session upon which you have entered should not be prolonged, however difficult some of its work may be found

to be. There will be little need of the multiplication of statutes. It would not be surprising if the measures of positive merit presented for your consideration, aside from those calling for appropriations for the support of government, did not greatly outnumber the fingers and thumbs of both hands. Indeed, it would be well if a portion of your time could be devoted to the reconsideration and repeal of some of the unnecessary and unused enactments that are now technically in force. A short session with few laws would be greatly to the credit of all who are engaged in and about the business of legislation. This can easily be achieved by team work in those offices the duties of which we have undertaken to perform.

The most important question for your consideration is that of finance. To supply funds for the bare needs of government during the next biennium is a task of no mean proportions.

The public revenue is largely derived from various charges made by the state, some of which are, and the remainder of which may with some license be called, taxes. The return is reasonably constant. For the rest of the revenue recourse is had to the direct state tax. There is no other adequate method of reaching the pockets of the people.

This tax was increased from $750,000 in 1915 to $1,700,000, including a special recognition tax of $200,000, in 1920. The most of this advance was due to the war and the high prices of goods and services that accompanied it. But it was none the less burdensome on that account to the people by whom the tax was paid.

If all the money required by the estimates filed with the state treasurer under the budget act and by additions reasonably to be expected is appropriated by you, the state tax will be further increased by more than 50% and will exceed $2,500,000. But this is not the only or the chief tax. The county and the local taxes are in the aggregate much greater than this. The three levies added together and assessed, as under our constitution they must be, mainly upon the tangi-

ble property of the state, become very burdensome. Last year they amounted in round numbers to $13,000,000, while the total cost of government by and within the state practically all derived from taxation in the broad sense of that word, was over $17,000,000. If there were added the more than $25,000,000 which it is estimated New Hampshire contributed to the support of the federal government it would be seen how drastic a thing taxation is.

Eighty per cent of all property taxes are laid upon real estate. The farmers in the country and the small freeholders in the villages and the cities are paying all they can afford. To them the present tax is a great burden.

The tax rate in fifty towns and two cities is $3 or more upon each $100 of a full valuation of the property assessed. Everywhere it is high. Thoughtful men will for the most part agree that it cannot with safety be raised to any considerable extent. As a practical proposition the limit has been reached.

If it is suggested that we should resort to new sources of revenue, the answer is that the only such sources of importance in existence have been denied us by the people. They at the last election failed to ratify either the income tax amendment or the inheritance tax amendment submitted by the convention to revise the constitution. Their adoption would have opened the way for large returns without appreciable hardship.

As the people cannot contemplate any material increase in existing taxes and as they have expressly declined to permit new ones, the inference is plain that they regard present revenue as sufficient for present needs.

Under these circumstances the proposition that the state should not during this administration enter upon new undertakings or the extension of present ones, entailing additional expense, admits of no doubt. We are in a period of abnormal costs, due chiefly to the inflation, the extravagance and the waste of war. The return to peace prices is slow and tedious, but it is in process. The trend is downward. Business is contracting and wages are falling. As long as the indi-

vidual is compelled to consider these factors his representatives in government, state and national, will not be justified in ignoring them. Moreover, the principal expense of a public department or institution lies not in its establishment but in its maintenance from year to year. On this principle the devise of the homestead of the late Benjamin A. Kimball for a governor's residence, so generously made and so highly appreciated, can hardly be accepted.

It is time to curtail in everything that is not imperatively demanded for the public welfare. But the absolutely conclusive argument against all new enterprises and expansions is the denial of additional revenue by the defeat of the tax amendments at the hands of the people, compelling a reliance upon present assessments which, as has been shown, cannot be advanced.

New Hampshire has ever been and ever will be a progressive state. In fifteen years she has expended more than $20,000,000 for the education of her youth, for the care of her unfortunates, for the promotion of the health of her people, for the making of public improvements and for the development of the common resources. This is no slight achievement in view of the meagreness of her population and the scantiness of her wealth. In this connection it may be said of her that there are in the union only six states with fewer people and only three with less wealth. While we can have the necessaries of government, we cannot afford all the luxuries and accessories that some of the more wealthy states enjoy. Our true course would seem to be to consider how we may adjust our public expense to the capacity of our own people to bear the burden.

The departments and institutions are asking for appropriations far in excess of the revenue of the state including the present state tax. That tax is nearly six times as great as it was fifteen years ago. Are there any public demands sufficient to justify a further increase? Will any state activity permanently suffer if in the aggregate the appropriations for the next two years are kept within the bounds

of those of the last two? These are questions that address themselves to the legislative as well as to the executive department.

These estimates of the departments and institutions are largely based upon present costs. May we not take into account falling prices? The appropriations of the legislature of 1921 will be for a biennial period beginning eight months hence. If present indications are a criterion, the cost of individual living will be materially less in the two years beginning September 1, next, then for the two years ending on that date. Such being the case, the costs of present state activities without enlargement thereof should also be materially less.

While it is true that there is a natural growth of important state undertakings, is it a wise state policy for successive legislatures to appropriate money with no thought of the ultimate cost of indefinite growth? Does not the state fail in business when it undertakes an enterprise if it disregards the burden it may impose in the future and thus permits it to enlarge without check or limit? . Is not this the time to have a definite policy in regard to all state activities?

Fifteen years ago the state began to improve its highways of travel in response to a demand of the people. There has been no more wise or popular expenditure of the public money. Yet we are now face to face with the fact that it will require $900,000 for each of the next two years to renew and repair the highways we have already built, without making any provision for new construction. Before authorizing new work ought we not definitely to determine, so far as we can control the future, how much are we to do and how far are we to go for a longer time than a single period of two years? Obviously this would be to the advantage of the highway department as well as the state.

By the act of July 7, 1866, the legislature established the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts "whose leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics,

to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts." From very small beginnings the college has by rapid growth, especially in the last decade, become a school of more than eight hundred boys and girls. It is a very useful institution. Its excellence has attracted many students from other states. Three fifths of its instruction relates directly to agriculture and the mechanic arts, two fifths to what may in a broad way be called the liberal arts. In view of the fact that the leading object for which the college was founded was to teach the former subjects, is it not essential that the greater emphasis be laid upon that? Otherwise will they not be obscured and finally displaced by the more popular and attractive courses in the liberal arts? There is room for fear. Already only 23 per cent of the students at Durham are in the agriculture courses. What do the people want in the premises?

Many have expressed a preference to have the affairs of the institution so directed by the state and by those more immediately in charge that it will gradually and without prejudice become, as fully as may be, a college of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and as such be well manned, well equipped and well supported by the state. Thus the original purpose of the college would be observed and its requirements would come within our means.

For the cost of maintenance and other purposes, after a commendable reduction of estimates, the college is asking you for $770,000 for the next two years. In the present condition of agriculture, might it not be well if such sums as are granted were required to be expended, as largely as possible, for the benefit of the valuable extension and experimental work already undertaken and for the aid of those New Hampshire students availing themselves of the agricultural and mechanical courses, with that fact and that purpose expressly stated in the law making the appropriation?

The last legislature after full consideration created a state board of education and provided for state aid to the com-

mon schools. What has been accomplished by the board and what it proposes to do in the future will be laid before you in its annual report. This report will give in detail the cost of its various activities. Its estimates for the next two years will also be given. Tentatively they appear to be $1,340,000.

The members of the board are men of unusual experience and ability. They have given liberally of their time and effort without other compensation than the satisfaction that comes from service. They have done excellent work. But the cost is disquieting. So much so that the present legislature should inquire as to what limitations, if any, can be placed upon the expenses of the department of education without seriously impairing its usefulness, and act accordingly.

These three illustrations have been selected from our fifty departments and institutions because they are the largest, ask for the largest sums of money and show the largest increases of budget estimates for the next two years over their appropriations for the present year. Having them in hand I have ventured a few observations in the hope of being helpful.

A continuous policy for public undertakings is needed. The legislature should think beyond its own life in the act of providing revenue for the state's activities. A state tax of $1,700,000 is too heavy a burden upon the real estate of those who own farms and homes, and in fact upon all tangible property.

But large expenditures are still imperative. Education must suffer no harmful neglect. The care of the unfortunates at the several charitable, reformatory and penal institutions established and conducted by the state cannot now be declined. The burden of these activities was assumed long ago and must be cheerfully borne. The public health, labor, good roads, forestry and other objects of public interest not here enumerated have their just and valid claims to recognition. Each has a right that none would deny to a

place in the budget. Agriculture, our basic industry, must be promoted if the towns as well as the cities are to prosper. Without the rural communities whence would the industrial centers derive their brain and brawn or those articles of food not commonly brought from a distance? The well-being of the state is involved with that of the towns equally with that of the cities. All these activities and interests should receive the same moderate support they have heretofore enjoyed. This can be allowed out of present receipts. But anything further must be denied on the basis of existing revenue. The only considerable relief, so far as I can observe, lies in the resubmission and ratification of the tax amendments which failed at the recent election.

A resubmission of the tax amendments may yet be accomplished if it is thought worth while. The constitutional convention of 1918–1920 still exists and may easily and speedily be reassembled. There have been many requests that this course be adopted. At the December conference of the Association of New Hampshire Assessors at Manchester, taxing officials and others being present from every section of the state, it was unanimously voted to be the sense of the meeting that the convention be reconvened and the amendments relating to taxation, the veto power and the reduction of the house of representatives be again submitted to the people on town meeting day in March next. At the still more recent meeting of the state grange at Claremont similar action was taken also with unanimity.

There are those who think the amendments would be ratified, if submitted at a time when the minds of the people were not occupied with matters incident to a general election but were open for the consideration of the needs of the state. It is a chance worth taking. Therefore, I suggest that upon some early day, by such procedure as may be necessary, you appropriate a sufficient sum for the travel and the attendance for one day of the members of the convention. Thereupon I shall consider it my duty to notify them to come together at the earliest convenient date. A

session of one day should suffice, for it is assumed that resolutions which were adopted with entire unanimity in January, 1920, would without delay receive at least a major majority vote a year later.

Permit me further to suggest that, in case the convention is summoned, the two houses of the legislature, upon the expiration of the time limited for the introduction of bills and upon their reference to the appropriate committees, adjourn for a period during which it is possible the committees could continue work and perhaps prepare some reports. Meanwhile the proposed session of the constitutional convention could be held. This plan by suspending the legislature prior to the second Tuesday in March would justify its sitting for a somewhat longer time after that day if found necessary in order to give force and effect to such constitutional amendments as might by any chance be ratified by the people.

It is not at all for purposes of extravagant use that new taxes should be granted, but wholly for purposes of proper expenditures and the equalization of the burden of taxation. Not only should they, if allowed, supply sufficient revenue for all necessary increases in the cost of government, but they should also permit the reduction or repeal of the state tax or its equivalent. To accomplish all of this it is apparent that the strictest economy in appropriations and the utmost efficiency in expenditures will be required. If it will aid the situation in any degree it may be remarked that measures in which a departure from these requirements is detected will meet with executive disapproval.

The improvement of the highways was begun in 1905. The purpose was to accommodate the light traffic of that time. The plan then adopted and since adhered to had regard to the quantity rather than the quality of construction, and although we have built more than fifteen hundred miles of trunk line and state aid roads at a cost on the part of the state, including upkeep, of $5,000,000, and improved them year by year, they are still light for the burden now

imposed and their maintanence is costly. Fifteen years ago the horse was in undisputed possession of the highways. Today he has been excluded therefrom or relegated to the gutter and the fence to make way for vehicles driven by a power often fifty times as great as any he can impart. And these vehicles have not only developed a high speed but a capacity that enables them successfully to compete with the railroads in the transportation of freight. The result has been and must continue to be disastrous to our light roads with their correspondingly light bridges and culverts.

It would seem to be a reasonable proposition that ultimately the highways like the railways should be paid for and supported by the traffic they bear, and it is believed the policy of the state may well be shaped with this end in view. It is, therefore, suggested that the price for permits to motor vehicles be raised to correspond with the recent advance in the tax rate, that registration fees, especially those of trucks, be increased, and that adequate license fees be exacted for vehicles temporarily in the state. In this connection it may be added that heavily loaded trucks from Boston and other business centers outside of New Hampshire are very destructive to the highways in our southern counties. Considering the damage they cause should not all trucks, foreign as well as domestic, if operated in this state, be limited as to size, weight and load?

This plan offers, to be sure, only a minor source of revenue, but it can yield more than at present without distress, and in the end much more. It should, I venture to suggest, at once be made to return enough for upkeep and in due time sufficient for new construction as well. In this way it is believed the problem of highway costs may be solved with comparative ease.

New Hampshire has achieved an unenviable notoriety for automobile accidents. In respect to one class, at least, it stands, so far as can be ascertained, at the head of the list among the states of the union. Manifestly there is fault

in the law or its enforcement. It is for you in your discretion to amend the one or provide for the other or both.

The salaries of the state officials and employees are not established on a scientific basis. Some are fixed by statute, some by the governor and council and some by the departments themselves. The result is great inequality of compensation for services rendered and responsibility assumed. Obviously all salaries should, in the interest of uniformity and economy, be determined by the same authority and preferably by the direct action of the legislature itself. The estimates of state departments show at least two instances where the heads of the departments are asking for an increase of salary. Such requests are made at every session of the legislature. The annual salaries of state officials range from $2000 paid to the secretary of the board of charities and corrections to $5000 paid to the commissioner of education. The state treasurer receives a salary of $3500 and the chairman of the board of bank commissioners receives $3000. I know of no more responsible positions in the service of the state than those occupied by the last two officials. If their pay is adequate, then there are other state officers who are paid too much. If their pay is inadequate then it should be raised. But instead of dealing with the question of salaries piecemeal and in response to individual requests session by session, thus creating widespread dissatisfaction, I believe the legislature may wisely reestablish for the next two years, but not for a longer period, the salaries of state officials according to the importance of the work done by them and the responsibility placed upon their departments, having well in mind the present downward trend in living costs and the prospect of its continuance.

The legislature may also properly classify the clerks of the departments and fix their compensation by classes, so that appointments and promotions shall be by definite steps with graded salaries. There should be a maximum and a minimum salary for clerical services and the importance of

the work and the responsibility of the position should be the determining factors in fixing the pay of the various classes. Under this plan appropriations could be made for the clerical help of each department with the class and salary of the clerk specified in the appropriation bill. Then there would be no occasion nor would it be allowable for the departments or for the governor and council to increase salaries as has heretofore been done.

This readjustment might well extend, if possible, to the officials and employees of the state in general.

It is essential to a complete budget system, as suggested in the treasurer's report, that all the receipts of the departments and institutions should be paid into the treasury and become revenue to the state and that their expenses should be met by appropriations in their behalf. This would necessitate the abandonment of the practice existing in some departments and institutions of expending the amount of their net income from business operations, fees and other sources, in addition to or as if a part of their appropriations; and this custom should be discontinued, as otherwise no limit is placed upon expenses but the limit of receipts. The full amount allowed for expenditures should definitely appear in each appropriation. Then, in case it were exceeded, the somewhat drastic remedy provided by statute could be applied.

I have already said that agriculture is our basic industry. But farming in New Hampshire is not profitable. The census tells a story of waning agriculture. This tendency must be checked and a movement back to the land inaugurated. Otherwise our industries will suffer because the cost of living for their employees will be high. There is but one successful method of promoting agriculture. It is to make farming pay. How can this be done?

Students of the problem find that the chief fault in the business of the farm is defective salesmanship, and that the cure resides in some system of cooperative marketing.

There are now in this country fourteen hundred cooperative selling agencies, and their success has been phenomenal. In this state a beginning has been made among the dairy farmers. It is my hope that this start in the field of milk production will lead to the extension of the principle to our general crops. In the words of Dr. Eaton "we must shorten the process between cause and effect."

In 1919 New Hampshire dealers in produce, according to a partial survey by the bureau of markets, expended for agricultural products purchased outside of the state, all of which could have been grown here, a total of $17,750,000. This huge sum, the equivalent of $550 for every New Hampshire farmer, should have been retained within our borders. Indeed, a much larger portion of the $80,000,000 we expend each year for food stuffs can be saved for our own agricultural interests under a wisely organized and well managed system of selling and distribution. This project will not make serious demands, if any at all, upon our treasury. The support of the bureau of markets and perhaps the incidental encouragement of the organization of cooperative companies seem to be the only ways in which the law making bodies can aid in this work, at least until such time as taxation can be reduced.

Among the commodities not likely to recede in price so much as others are lumber and coal. New Hampshire, according to the forestry department, has 1,750,000 acres of idle land which for the most part once bore magnificent timber. To reforest these areas would add immensely to their value for taxation as well as private use. The state has already undertaken to promote this work. Upon inquiry you may find that it can be further aided at slight cost.

The increased price of coal is a great handicap to industrial New Hampshire. It could be largely offset, however, by the development of our unused water power of which there is a large amount according to the report of the commission on water conservation. At an opportune time the state may desire by wise enactments to aid in this development and

may be justified in so doing on account of the enormous public benefit that would ensue. It will be time to consider the matter, however, when it is presented.

The state owns or operates under some arrangement with the owners one hundred and eight motor trucks and nearly as many motor cars. The highway department has purchased a garage for its own accommodation. You would do well to consider the advisability of establishing a central station where state used vehicles should be kept, with supplies therefor, to be used by the state officials for the business of the state upon proper requisition, a record of the use being kept and the expense being charged to the appropriate department or institution. The alternative would seem to be the hiring of all cars needed in the service of the state. One thing is certain, public cars should not be used for private purposes.

Prohibition is the settled policy of the state and nation. The saloon has disappeared from our midst and the quarters it once occupied are filled with useful merchandise for the common benefit. The young men and boys are safe. It is our purpose to keep them so. To this end enforcement must be rigidly maintained. It is worse to have an unexecuted law than no law at all.

Six of our counties have their jails apart from their county farms, while four have them upon their farms. In the latter the unfortunate poor are compelled to associate with criminals. Thus poverty is classed with crime.

Reform is said to be one of the chief objects of incarceration. Manifestly it can best be promoted under good management, but good management involves employment. Idleness, always harmful, is especially so in penal institutions. Now, in nine of our ten jails there are no opportunities for systematic labor, nor can they be afforded as a business proposition. And our houses of correction, which provide such opportunities for a part of the year, have no adequate means of restraint.

If there were a jail with facilities for labor available for all the counties, it is not improbable that many of the younger offenders who are sent to prison for a year and a day because they can be kept busy there might be sent to the minor institution and thus saved from the stain of a prison sentence.

Is it not time to consolidate the jails or to establish a state house of correction where prisoners may be sentenced for short terms and labor, non-competitive if you please, required? One of the present jails might be utilized, as there are in them all but forty eight prisoners and in the houses of correction only forty two more, ninety in all. Probably little, if any, new construction would be needed. At all events, the cost of supporting the inmates would be largely reduced and a considerable sum saved to the counties annually. This is a subject I commend to your earnest consideration.

From 1893 to 1919, inclusive, there were enacted over twelve hundred amendments to the laws passed during that period and nearly seven hundred amendments to the revision of 1891 known as the Public Statutes. Of the first one hundred chapters of the laws of the last session, seventy-one contain specific amendments to pre-existing statutes. In view of these facts would it not be wise to provide a legislative assistant for the proper drafting of laws? He could be charged with the further duty of furnishing members and committees of the legislature upon request with such information as he might possess or be able to obtain as to the state of the law upon any given subject. He should be available to members elect for a short period before the opening of the session so that they could ascertain from him whether the subject matter of desired legislation was prohibited by the constitution or already covered by the law of the state. If no objection appeared and a statute on the subject was still desired, then the services of the assistant could be enlisted for the proper drafting of the measure. All measures passing both branches of the legislature should be examined by him before being engrossed.

Something like eight hundred measures have been introduced as an average at recent sessions of the legislature. Of these only about one third have been enacted. It is thought the assistance suggested with reasonable cooperation should reduce the number of bills introduced fully one half, substantially cut down enactments and materially shorten the sessions of the general court. The saving in these respects and especially in the printing, now very costly, of bills, journals, and session laws ought to be much more than enough to meet the cost of the service. At the same time there would result a correctness of statutory phraseology as yet unknown.

If desired, this service could doubtless be rendered by the attorney general's office at slight additional expense.

In New Hampshire as elsewhere throughout the country there is much criticism of the workings of the direct primary election law. It is said that its operation results in an unfortunate selection of candidates with respect to location; that it requires a preliminary campaign which in ordinary cases is more burdensome to candidates than the final contest; that it provides no adequate method of summoning into the political field those who decline to proceed for themselves; that it involves a large outlay of money by the state as well as by the cities and towns; that it necessitates a considerable expenditure on the part of the candidates and permits others to make unlimited contributions for them through committees organized in their behalf; that by such considerations the candidacy of good men is often prevented and the impression created that the possession of wealth is a requisite to the holding of public office. These are the indictments. If they are true the law is inconsistent with our form of government and repugnant to our ideals of patriotism and good citizenship and should, therefore, in the language applied by Mr. Asquith to the House of Lords, be either "mended or ended." In any event, the freedom, the secrecy and the purity of the ballot should be fully protected.

When, after the declaration of war with Germany in 1917, it became evident that the national guard would be called into federal service, the state guard was organized to take its place, in accordance with the provisions of the law enacted for that purpose. This emergency organization of brave and patriotic men has continued until the present. But in view of the fact that in time of peace no state can maintain troops other than as authorized by the national defense act and because of the likelihood that peace will be declared at an early date, the state guard must soon cease to exist. Moreover, at any time the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, may, upon the recruiting of the national guard, cause the state guard to be disbanded and its officers and men to be honorably discharged. It is, therefore, my purpose to proceed without delay to reorganize the national guard under the provisions of the defense act. It is thought that the military law of this state, with such amendments as you may deem advisable, if any, will afford all the authority necessary to such procedure.

In a "government of the people, by the people, for the people" it is essential not only that suffrage should be universal as a matter of right but that it should be universally exercised as a matter of practice. At each election, however, many of our citizens are prevented from voting by unavoidable absence from the state. It is suggested that you consider the feasibility of some enactment in the interest of absent voters. If precedents are desired they may readily be found in other jurisdictions.

An experience of ten years in cooperation with the selectmen of the towns in the difficult and somewhat technical task of assessing taxes has convinced me that their term of office is too short. Before one can acquire much proficiency he is obliged to stand for reelection, with the ever present prospect of defeat upon the showing the brief time he has served will enable him to make. The uncertainty of service beyond a single year is often responsible for a lack

of effort on the part of newly elected selectmen to master even the rudiments of their position. It is recommended that the term of office be extended to three years, one member to be elected each year after the manner of the members of the school board, to whom the selectmen are analogous. Thus we should at all times have the advantage of a continuous and experienced body of men in charge of town affairs. The system is said to work well wherever it is in vogue.

The departments are efficient and the institutions well managed. There is little occasion to name them one by one. Their excellent condition is a fine tribute not only to their personnel but to the last administration and to those that immediately preceded it. I do not for the moment recommend any change in their organization. It is hoped that with full cooperation and abundant effort on the part of all who are concerned in their management, their standing may be preserved.

This administration will not expect to achieve the impossible or all of the possible but it will endeavor day by day to do the day's work. Thus it will hope to execute, with reasonable satisfaction, the great trust with which it has been invested by the people of the state.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the message of His Excellency, the Governor, be laid upon the table, and the clerk of the House be directed to procure the usual number of printed copies.

On motion of Senator McKay of District No. 16 the convention rose.

HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.15 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.
The following letter was read by the clerk.

LEBANON, N. H., January 7, 1921.

Mr. William J. Ahern,
Concord, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me, and oblige

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.
On motion of Mr. Heath of Bristol at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.
Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Bridgman of Hanover and Lovejoy of Milford were granted leaves of absence for the day on account of important business.

Messrs. Cass of Columbia and Merrill of Manchester were granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the committee to whom was referred the assignment of rooms, to the Speaker, the standing committees of the House, and joint standing committees of the Senate and House, reported with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the assignment of rooms to the Speaker, to the standing committees of the House, and to the joint standing committees of the House and Senate be as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEES.

The Speaker, Reception Room. Room 124.
On Agriculture, Room 120.
On Agricultural College, Room 120.
On Appropriations, Room 157.
On Banks, Room 150.
On Claims, Room 157.
On County Affairs, Room 100.
On Education, State House Annex, Room 2.
On Elections, Room 145.
On Fisheries and Game, Fish & Game Office, Room 109.
On Forestry, Room 100.
On Incorporations, Room 156.
On Industrial School, Room 156.
On Insurance, Room 113.
On Judiciary, Room 110.
On Labor, Room 100.
On Liquor Laws, State House Annex, Room 17.
On Manufactures, State Library.
On Mileage, Room 156.
On Military Affairs, Adjutant General's office.
On National Affairs, Room 102.
On Normal Schools, State House Annex, Room 2.
On Public Health, Room 107.
On Public Improvements, Room 133.
On Railroads, Room 100.
On Retrenchment and Reform, Room 145.
On Revision of the Statutes, Room 156.

On Roads, Bridges, and Canals, State Library.
On School for Feeble-Minded, Room 156.
On Soldiers' Home, Room 127.
On State Hospital, Room 156.
On State Prison, Room 156.
On Towns, Room 127.
On Unfinished Business, Room 156.
On Ways and Means, Room 120.
On Rules, Room 122.
On Journal of the House, Room 122.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Engrossed Bills, Office of Secretary of State.
State House and State House Yard, Room 122.
Joint Rules, Room 122.
State Library, State Library.
On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 1, An act to regulate the salary of the solicitor for Cheshire county.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene, the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Cheshire.

By Mr. Merrill of Manchester, House Bill No. 2, An act limiting the speed of motor vehicles. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Merrill of Manchester, House Bill No. 3. An act fixing the speed gear of motor vehicles. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 4, An act to provide for a revision of the Public Statutes. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Sawyer of Atkinson, House Bill No. 5, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of

November, 1920, in the town of Atkinson. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Sawyer of Atkinson, House Bill No. 6, An act in amendment of Section 8 of Chapter 174 of the Public Statutes relating to a commission to solemnize marriages. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Kimball of Stratford, House Bill No. 7, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting for the town of Stratford. To the Committtee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 8, An act in amendment of Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1903, Chapter 22 of the Laws of 1907, Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1909, Chapters 2, 44 and 136 of the Laws of 1913, Chapter 201 of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 45 of the Laws of 1919 relating to county commissioners. To the Committee on County Affairs.

By Mr. McHugh of Gorham, House Bill No. 9, An act in amendment of Section 27 of Chapter 266 of the Public Statutes, relative to advertisements in public places. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Kenney of Manchester, House Bill No. 10, An act in amendment to the charter of the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester,—

Resolved, That all bills relating to the city of Manchester be referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

The bill was then referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 11, An act to amend the primary and elections laws.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill

was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cotton of Nashua, House Bill No. 12, An act in amendment of Chapter 228 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the rate of interest to be charged on loans by licensees under said act.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 13, An act relating to the state seal and the state flag. To the Committee on National Affairs.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 14, An act providing for the nomination of representatives to the General Court, moderator, supervisors and other town and ward officers.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Kendall of Newport, House Bill No. 15, An act relating to the salary of Register of Probate of Sullivan county. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 16, An act relative to the incorporation and management of credit unions.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Sullivan of Manchester, House Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 264 of the Public Statutes relating to the playing of games on Sunday. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Dow of North Hampton, House Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolution for the repair and maintenance of a

breakwater in the town of North Hampton. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Anderson of Richmond, House Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution to assist the town of Richmond in paying a part of the expenses for damages incurred by severe storm in August, 1920. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Rockwood of Brookline, House Bill No. 18, An act to establish a continous highway from the south side road of Milford to the Massachusetts state line at Townsend.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following concurrent resolutions:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to make the necessary assignment of rooms for the presiding officers and committees of the House and Senate, and to report said assignments to the House and Senate as early as possible, and the President has appointed as members of such committee on the part of the Senate, Senators Fairbanks and Conway.

The message further announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules, with such members as the Senate may join be a committee on joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the President has appointed as members of such committee on the part of the Senate, President Snow, Senators Tufts and Farley.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Resolved, by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the joint rules of the last legislature be the joint rules of this legislature until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the resolution sent down from the Honorable Senate.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the State Treasurer be requested to furnish the House with a statement of the expenditures of the Educational Department for the year ending August 31, 1920, in such detail as will appear in his annual report; and a list of the salaries of the Commissioner of Education, his deputies and the employees of his office at Concord, as appears on the pay roll in the Treasurer's office for the year ending August 31, 1921.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield,—

Resolved, That prayers be offered in the House five minutes previous to the assembling of the House and that His Excellency, the Governor, the Honorable Council and the Honorable Senate be invited to attend.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 11.57 o'clock, the House took a recess until 1.30 o'clock.

(After recess.)

The introduction of bills and joint resolutions was resumed.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred as follows:

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 19, An act relating to the issue of bonds and notes by railroads and public utilities. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Abbott of Antrim, House Bill No. 20, An act to

legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Antrim held on Nov. 2, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ross of Lebanon, House Bill No. 21, An act to establish a State Highway Commission.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Ross of Lebanon, House Bill No. 22, An act to provide for the making of topographic maps of the State of New Hampshire. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Hatch of Exeter, House Bill No. 23, An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company. To the Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth, House Bill No. 24, An act to authorize school district of the town of Newington to exceed its limit of bonded indebtedness as fixed per chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth, House Bill No. 25, An act in regard to the exemption from taxation of the Portsmouth Historical Society. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Daniell of Greenland, House Bill No. 26, An act to legalize the proceedings of a school meeting of the school district of the town of Greenland. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Kilton of Bedford, House Bill No. 27, An act to legalize and confirm the warrant for, and the votes and proceedings at, the biennial election and meeting in Bedford, held the 2nd day of November, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Chase of Warner, House Bill No. 28, An act to legalize the biennial election at Warner. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rice of Keene, House Bill No. 29, An act to es-

tablish a state highway from the west side trunk line to Echo lake in Lempster. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Boisvert of Greenville, House Bill No. 30, An act to establish a continuous highway from the South Side road in Wilton to the Massachusetts state line at Townsend.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Brown of Whitefield, House Joint Resolution No. 3, Joint resolution for the repair of the Cherry Mountain road. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

The Speaker appointed the following tellers:
Division 1,—Mr. Blue of Conway.
Division 2,—Mr. Barrett of Dover.
Division 3,—Mr. Cilley of Manchester.
Division 4,—Mr. Rogers of Wakefield.
Division 5,—Mr. Murdock of Hill.

CHANGES IN COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.

The Speaker announced the following changes in committee appointments.

Mr. Norton of Manchester from the Committee on Soldiers' Home to the Committee on County Affairs.

Mr. Page of Gilmanton from the Committee on County Affairs to the Committee on Soldiers' Home.

Mr. Preston of Stafford to the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform in place of Mr. Page of Gilmanton who very generously gave up his place on the committee.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Derry,—

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall, be extended to Lady Anne Azgapetian of the Near East Relief who desires to talk to the members of the legislature on the Near East question:

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield at 2.28 o'clock the House took a recess for 30 minutes.

(After recess.)

Messrs. Clow of Wolfeboro, Marshall of Northumberland, Brown of Concord and Pelletier of Nashua having qualified before His Excellency the Governor appeared and took their seats as members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Concord at 2.53 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in the afternoon session.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Poor of Landaff was granted leave of absence for the week on account of a death in his family.

Mr. Scott of Deerfield was granted leave of absence for Wednesday on account of important business.

On motion of Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee at 2.55 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Hopkins of Laconia, was granted leave of absence for the afternoon on account of attendance upon a funeral.

Mr. Childs of Hillsborough was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Challis of Manchester, House Bill No. 31, An act for the establishment of a normal school in the city of Manchester. To the Committee on Normal Schools.

By Mr. Challis of Manchester, House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Section 12, of Chapter 183, Laws of 1917 to provide for factory inspectors, one of whom shall be a woman. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 33, An act authorizing Cheshire county to defray hospital expenses of John H. Allen.

Read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a sepecial committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Cheshire.

By Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time. To the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Ibbotson of Plaistow, House Bill No. 35, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920 in the town of Plaistow. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flint of Plymouth, House Bill No. 36, An act to legalize the biennial election held in Plymouth November 2, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lord of Dunbarton, House Bill No. 37, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920 in the town of Dunbarton. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pettee of Ashland, House Bill No. 38, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Ashland held on November 2, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 39, An act to establish a Department of Highways for the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill

was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Honorable Secretary of State then appeared and laid before the House the following message from His Excellency the Governor.

To the Members of the House of Representatives:

The committee appointed by Governor Bartlett in conformity with the concurrent resolution passed by the last Legislature "to consider changing the Sunday laws of the State," and "to report with recommendations to the Legislature of 1921," having organized by the choice of Samuel S. Drury of Concord as chairman and Henry H. Metcalf as secretary; having held two public hearings, advertised by the press throughout the state, at which all interested parties were given an opportunity to be heard, and numerous and extended arguments were presented, both in favor of, and in opposition to, any modification or change in the existing law; having duly considered all the arguments presented, and given the question involved most careful consideration, finds itself divided in opinion, and therefore presents majority and minority reports, which are, herewith,

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL S. DRURY,
Chairman.

HENRY H. METCALF, *Secretary.*

MAJORITY REPORT.

To the Legislature of 1921:

The undersigned a majority of the Committee appointed by Governor John H. Bartlett to make recommendations to the incoming Legislature relative to a revision of the Sunday Laws, recommend in substance the following:

AN ACT

To Prevent the Commercializing of Sunday.

Section 1. No person shall habitually commercialize the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's Day, by working at his trade or profession to the disturbance of the peace, except work of actual necessity of mercy, and the operation of public utilities. No person shall conduct any entertainment on that day at which an admission is charged or taken.

Sect. 2. No person shall on the Lord's Day, discharge any firearms for sport or in the pursuit of game, nor carry a firearm in a field, highway or private way while in the pursuit of game, or with the intent to discharge the same in sport, provided that any owner shall have the right to protect his fruit trees, or growing crops as the right is or may be accorded him by the game laws of the state.

Sect. 3. No person shall keep his shop, warehouse, store, cellar, restaurant, office or workshop open for the reception of company, except for the entertaimnent of boarders, the sale of milk, bread, drugs, medicines, gasoline at retail, and the necessaries of life. The sale of fruits, drinks, confectionery, ice cream, cigars, tobacco, and daily papers may be made at such hours as may be determined and licensed by city governments in cities and the selectmen in towns, such license being granted in writing, and subject to recall at any time by the authorities granting the same.

Sect. 4. In towns and cities which accept the provisions of the following sections of this act, it shall be lawful to take part in or to witness any amateur athletic outdoor sport or game on the Lord's Day between the hours of two and six in the afternoon as herein provided. Amateur in this act shall be defined as one in which the contestants do not receive any pecuniary reward, remuneration or consideration whatsoever, directly or indirectly in connection therewith.

Sect. 5. Such sports or games shall take place on such grounds as may be designated for that purpose in a permit or license issued by the city government in cities or the select-

men in towns, and no place shall be designated within one-fourth of a mile of a church or any regular place of public worship.

Sect. 6. No admission fee shall be charged, directly or indirectly, no collection shall be taken, and no fruit, food, or other article shall be sold in connection with any such sport or game, nor shall the same be advertised in any newspaper, or other publication, or by any hand bill or other printed notice.

Sect. 7. This act shall not be construed to permit horse racing or automobile racing.

Sect. 8. The authorities authorized to issue said permits may at any time and without previous notice revoke said permits if they have reason to believe that the provisions of this act are being violated, and shall revoke if proof of such violation, that would be acceptable in a court of law, is presented to them.

Sect. 9. The city government in any city or the selectmen in any town, may make rules and regulations for the conduct of said sports and games, not in conflict with any of the provisions of this act.

Sect. 10. Sections 5 to 11 of this act shall take effect for the current year in any city upon its acceptance by the city government, and upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters of any city voting thereon at any municipal election it shall take permanent effect in such city; and in any town upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters thereon at an annual or special meeting; and the selectmen of a town shall, upon a petition of not less than ten per cent of the voters thereof, call a special town meeting for the purpose of voting thereon.

Sect. 11. In any city or town, the voters of which have accepted said sections as herein provided, the same shall again be submitted to the voters at the municipal election held in any year subsequent to the year in which it was accepted, provided that a petition to that effect signed by not less than ten per cent of the voters, is filed with the city or town clerk not less than thirty days before said election.

If upon such resubmission a majority of the voters voting thereon vote against the act, it shall cease to have effect in that city or town until reaccepted as hereinbefore provided.

Sect. 12. Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of any section of this act shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars, and for a second offense may be fined and imprisoned in the house of correction for not more than ninety days.

Sect. 13. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SAMUEL S. DRURY,
GEORGE E. BROWN,
GUY H. HUBBARD,
HENRY H. METCALF,
LEWIS PERRY,
WILLIAM F. SULLIVAN,
OMAR A. TOWNE.

MINORITY REPORT.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire.

The legislature of 1919 passed a resolution as follows:

"*Resolved*, by the House of Representatives the Senate concurring. That we recommend the appointment by the Governor of a committee of twelve members to be chosen from both church and state in New Hampshire, to consider changing the Sunday Laws of the state, they to report with recommendations to the legislature of 1921 for consideration."

In due time the members of the committee were appointed by the Governor, organized with a chairman and secretary, and gave notice of public hearings upon proposed changes in the Sunday Laws. Two public hearings were held at the State House in Concord where all persons were heard who desired to express opinions upon the subject matter coming before the committee. The committee has had several executive sessions, the last being at the State House on Friday, December 31st, 1920, where the members of this

committee discussed earnestly, but with the best of feeling, the evidence presented and any proposals of changes that came before them.

The discussion of December 31st developed that there existed among the members a very marked line of division, some feeling that no evidence had been brought forward of sufficient importance to warrant any change in the Sunday laws, and others feeling equally strongly that a change to make Sunday observance laws more liberal was expedient. We use the word 'expedient' advisedly for the personal feeling among the members was nearly, if not quite, unanimous that it would not be well to make a more open Sunday. Some of the members felt that there was a pressing demand for some more liberal law, and therefore subordinated any personal feeling they had to the alleged necessity for new laws for Sunday observance to serve the public welfare. We propose to examine the reasons given for proposed changes and submit our reasons why these arguments have not convinced us of the necessity or advisability of any change. The burden of proof in this case is upon the proponents of the attempt to modify the present Sunday law in various ways. The Sunday laws of New Hampshire as now upon the statute books represent a long established and settled policy in the matter of the Sunday observance and this policy so long settled and established should not be departed from without very substantial reasons.

The following motion was made before the committee and voted upon after some discussion:

"*Resolved*, That this committee recommend to the Legislature that no action be taken by it to liberalize the present Sunday laws of the state."

The members of the committee who subscribe to this report voted for the above motion and it expresses their convictions that any change which will make Sunday a more open day is not demanded by any large number of people, would not make conditions in the state better, and would be detrimental to the best interests of this state.

Many arguments were advanced by those who appeared

before this committee for the proposed change or changes and the advocates of such changes could not themselves agree what modification would best remedy the alleged evil conditions existing and would best serve the interests of the public. We listened to these arguments but they did not convince us of the necessity or wisdom of a change. We propose to examine the most important of them.

(1) It was urged by men of ability that the present Sunday law violates the personal liberty of the individual; that they restrict him in the exercise of certain fundamental personal rights; that their evident purpose and design is to force the individual to attend a church and to restrict therein his freedom in the exercise of his religious prerogative, and that no legislature has the right to enact such laws. Why, it is asked, should not a person be allowed to do as he pleased on Sunday within certain limits as well as on Monday? If amateur baseball is allowed on Saturday, the last day of our week, why should it not be played on Sunday, the first day?

We think that those who hold to such ideas have not read carefully the history and purpose of these statutes of New Hampshire. They are of long standing, and a discussion of their history is given in George v. George, 47 N. H. Rep., page 27. Their legality has been interpreted in various court decisions of New Hampshire. Various questions relating to the Sunday law have been before the Supreme Court of this state but so far as appears no person had the courage to argue before that body, at least successfully, that the legislature had no power to enact them. It has always been regarded as a question of expediency for that body and these laws thus enacted have never been held to be any more derogatory to the personal liberty of the individual than many laws that we obey without question.

It does not seem to us that the present N. H. laws are of the character and design alleged by those who advocate the change. It is the policy of progressive states to set apart Sunday as a day peculiar in itself—as a day of quiet and a day when those who desire to worship, whether by church

attendance or quiet meditation at home, may be secured in that desire. Those laws do not summon our people to worship. This obligation is usually left to the conscience of the individual. They do enjoin certain acts upon that day which tend to disturb or annoy those who worship. This purpose is well described by Judge Fellows of our Supreme Court when he said in the case above cited at page 34:

"The change introduced by the Revised Statutes was designed to withdraw all legislative control over the acts and conduct of the individual citizen, so far as they did not interfere with the public observance of the Lord's day—wisely holding that in respect to acts of a private nature not calculated to disturb others in the exercise of the appropriate duties of the day, the individual conscience alone should decide. At the same time we perceive no intention to diminish the restraints upon those unnecessary wordly acts which interefere with the public observance of the Lord's day; and therefore such acts when done openly or publicly in the presence of others are prohibited, because they are calculated to turn the attention of those who are present from their appropriate religious duties to matters of mere worldly concern, and thus to disturb them in the sense in which the term is used in the statute. The policy of the act is still to encourage the due observance of the Sabbath, as a day of rest from worldly labors and traffic, and of devotion to religious duties; and although it is left to the conscience of each citizen to decide whether he shall himself in private perform any secular labor, he must take care to do no such labor in a manner to turn the attention of others from their appropriate duties and fix it upon worldly business or traffic. The purpose is to give every citizen an opportunity to discharge the religious duties incumbent upon him on that day, without being disturbed, or having his attention withdrawn, by the career of worldly traffic or labor; * * *"

The intent and purpose of those acts is also discussed by Chief Justice Gilchrist in Varney *v.* French, 19 N. H. Reports, page 233, and page 236. He there says:

"This provision aims only at protecting the public in their devotions and religious reflections; others, the law says, shall not be disturbed. It leaves each individual to employ himself as he may choose, subject only to this limitation. It does not aim at guarding him from himself. It does not seek to interest him in religion, by forbidding him to interest himself in things not religious. It leaves him to his own conscience, and does not attempt to furnish any other guarantee for the religious and devotional employment of his time, than such as may be afforded by his own views of his religious obligations."

We have quoted at length from these opinions because they bring out so clearly the character of this legislation. It does not operate upon his conscience, it restricts him in his acts, for the purpose—and for that only—of protecting and guarding those who feel that Sunday is meant for some other purpose than the enjoyment of worldly pleasures and the performance of week-day tasks.

Any proposed legislation which we have seen would break down these restrictions, sweep away the barriers erected by those who have preceded us, and would be the first attempt to open up Sunday to sports, games, moving pictures and the like, which have no place in a quiet and rational Sunday observance. We are convinced that New Hampshire is not yet ready to take the step which has been taken by other states to take from Sunday its rightful place in the week, and to make it merely a day like all the others.

(2) Some evidence was introduced before us that the change is desired by the cities, and that if no change was made, great evils must result. We were told that in a certain city in the state there are many radicals, who in the enforced quiet of a Sabbath day, congregate in dark corners to plot the downfall of the state: that a permission to those people to play an amateur game of ball between two and six of a Sunday afternoon is a sure relief to all their alleged ills.

It seems to us that such an argument cannot be earnestly made. The centers of lawlessness in this country are not

in those states where there is still some sane form of Sunday observance, but in the great and congregated centers of population where Sunday is only one day like the other seven, where base-ball, amateur and professional, is allowed, where races of all kind take place, and where in short, the distinction between Sunday and the other days of the week, to which distinction New Hampshire still adheres, has been thoroughly broken down. The unrest among those radical inhabitants in a certain New Hampshire city, if any exists, is not due to the strict enforcement of Sunday laws, and it will not be cured by breaking down the long established custom of New Hampshire with respect to Sunday observance.

(3) We were told by able speakers that the mill worker or factory man insists upon games and sports on Sunday, because he has no other time to enjoy himself. He works in the mill and factory on other days, why not make Sunday a real day for him, where he can have some relief from the grinding duties of the week? Whatever might such an argument may have once had, it can have but little now. The hours of all employees have been radically shortened in recent years. No one works Saturday afternoon, many shops close at five every night in the week. Every city of the state has its Sunset League games, every city of the state has—or could have if it desired—its Saturday games. One-third of the week is given up to work, one-third of it to sleep and there surely should be time enough in the other one-third for such play and relaxation as is necessary for the human body and mind. A canvass of the situation showed that perhaps three or four cities might, under local option, accept the provisions for amateur games and sports. If this is so, the demand for a change is not widespread, and not a reason why there should be placed upon the statute books of this state, a law overturning a settled and established policy of Sunday observance.

(4) The advocates of change maintain that the present law is unenforceable in its present form, and that the proposed law or laws only enact into statutes what is now done

without the sanction of law, in this state. This assertion we deny. So far as the statement refers to certain work now done which was not done in prior days, and to sales made on Sunday of certain articles such as sodas, cigars, newspapers, gasoline, and like articles we must admit that there is no legal sanction for many such acts. But there is no widespread desecration of the day by Sunday sports, amateur or otherwise. We regret the more or less widespread practice of opening certain stores on Sunday, for the sale of newspapers and other articles above mentioned, without legal sanction, and if the movement were merely to cover such acts and to give a legislative interpretation to the Sunday work law, to meet present day conditions, we do not feel it would be objectionable. But such a movement has always been joined with proposals to open up the day for Sunday sports, and to our mind we had far better retain the present law, even with its admitted imperfections, than to make Sunday, by the proposed changes that came before us, a day which has lost its long established purpose and meaning. Better keep out present statute, than to drive in the entering wedge that will end in making Sunday what it has been in Europe—a day not different from other days except by its excess of pleasure.

The country has been passing through a critical stage. During the war, everything was subordinated to winning the war, and we came to look with only mild concern upon many things that before we would not tolerate. War shakes the moral fibre of any people, and we are today feeling the effects of this moral breakdown in ways too numerous to name. Such a condition follows every war. It came in the late sixties as a result of the Civil War. It came in 1819–1820 as a result of world disturbances that ended in 1815, and of our own war of 1812. The way to meet these days is not by loosening and relaxing the restraints that the passing of the years has shown advisable. These conditions demand some measure of restraint, of sternness if you will, and a determined stand on the part of us all to check those tendencies of the time which cause us some alarm. This is

no time to break down the gates but rather to hold them fast. The times are not normal, and one of the crying needs of the day is some time for sane, sober, and quiet thinking. No one has pointed out to us a single nation that can trace its decay to a strict adherence to the principles that have, in this state, governed Sunday observance, but it is easy to name those whose decadence, was marked, among other things, by a wider and wider departure from the true spirit and purpose of the day. We cannot consent to recommend what we feel would break down, beyond repair, those principles of wisdom and sanity that long years have determined to be those which should govern our observance of Sunday for the best interests of ourselves, of our community, and of our state.

Respectfully submitted,
MAJOR WILLIAM H. TRICKEY.
FRED A. ROGERS.
EDGAR M. BOWKER.
ROY M. PICKARD.

The reading of the report having commenced, on motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the further reading of the report was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Tuck of Concord the report was laid upon the table and the clerk instructed to procure 1,000 copies printed in the usual form.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended so as to allow of the introduction of a report from a committee.

The Committee on Appropriations reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Barrett of Dover rose to a question of personal priv-

ilege and stated his position in reference to the report as being opposed.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time.

Mr. Ahern of Concord moved that the printing of the joint resolution be dispensed with.

Mr. Barrett of Dover moved that the joint resolution be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Barrett.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Lee of Concord asked for a division.

A division being had 165 gentlemen voted in the affirmative and 180 gentlemen voted in the negative and the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Barrett of Dover demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result:

YEAS, 171.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Flanders, Knights, Brown of Epping, Fellowes, Frost of Fremont, Randall, Parker, Fish, Stevens of Kingston, Davenport, Pridham, Doe of Newfields, Rousseau, Sanborn of Newmarket, Andrews, Linchey, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Heffernan, Schurman, Cox, Gove, Jenness, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Foss, Reynolds, Moody, Smart, Wentworth, Fairbanks, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Durnin, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Tuttle of Farmington, Hartford, Berry of New Durham, Haley, Gelinas, McDuffee, Woodward, Yeaton, Leary, Boucher, Letourneau, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Tarlson, Kempton, Normandin, Avery of Laconia, Philbrook, Piper, Wilson, Carter.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Phelps, Head, Perkins, Morey, Blanchard, McCrillis, Schenck, Rogers, Clow, Young of Wolfeboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Stone of Andover, Call, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Swenson, Otis, New-

ton, Clarke, Kelley of Concord, Lee, Lawrence, Clough, Garneau, Holmes, Ladd, Bates, Cass of Pembroke, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Chase.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Bell of Bennington, Greer, Adams of Hancock, Eaton of Hillsborough, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Cilley, Norton, Burman, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Broderick, Gorham, Jennings, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Tobin, Rainford, Godbout, McCarthy, Chevrette, Donnelly, Smith of Manchester, Sullivan of Manchester, Allen of Manchester, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Cote, Lamy, Maynard, Rajotte, Dionne, Francœur, Gagnon, Gauthier, Jackman of Nashua, Boisvert of Nashua, Richard of Nashua Earley, Cotton, Hallisey, Ravenelle, Winn, Pelletier, Derby, Peaslee of Weare.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Lewis, Pierce of Dublin, Tuttle of Harrisville, Mower, Mason of Keene, Sawtell, Wells, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Davidson, Wolcott, Kendall, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Blandin, Avery of Campton, Dane, Haskell of Holderness, Ross, Fogg, Hunkins, Mooney, Morse of Littleton, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY.—Carpenter, Sheridan of Berlin, Beaudoin of Berlin, Seymour, Hill, Stevens of Colebrook, Christopher, Blodgett, Stone of Stark, Kimball of Stratford.

NAYS, 186.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Colcord of Candia, Fiske, Collins, Angell, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Dudley, Cole of Hampton, Towle, Fernald, Ibbotson, Hett, Benfield, Hodgdon, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Kelley of Sandown, Smith of Seabrook.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Locke, Houston, Sherry, Davis of Lee, Knox, Evans, Meader, Lowe, Doe of Rollinsford, Parsons.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Page, Trapp, Bell of Laconia, Peaslee of Laconia, Gordon.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Blue, Ela, Leavitt of Effingham, Gray of Jackson, Hodsdon, Palmer.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Farnum, Colby, Cummings, Mason of Canterbury, Robinson, Amsden, Danforth, Brown of Concord, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Sargent of Concord, Ahern, Jordan, Lord of Dunbarton, Gilchrist, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Murdock, Otterson, Straw, Emerson, Crane, Sargent of Northfield, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Rockwood, Ellsworth, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Brooks of Greenfield, Boisvert of Greenville, Spaulding, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Lord of Manchester, Cavanaugh, Prime, Garmon, Heffron, Johnston, Kimball of Manchester, Pierce of Manchester, Appelman, Hecker, Larivee, Eaton of Mason, Young of Merrimack, Lovejoy of Milford, McIntire of Milford, Ordway, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Winslow, Foisie, Soucy, Hooper, Walker, Frost of Pelham, Nichols, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Damon, Wilder, Booth, Donahue, Callahan, Hall, Rice, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Lane, King, Whitman, Barney of Winchester.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Barney of Claremont, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Nelson, Porter, Lovejoy of Lempster, Dodge of Newport, Newell, Chellis, Philbrick, Osborne.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Pattee, Abbe, Heath, Kelley of Canaan, Jackman of Enfield, Rudd, Pariso, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Allen of Haverhill, Carr, Davidson, Liscomb, Messenger, Sara, Batchelder, Price, Pushee, Frazer, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Steele, McLinn, Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.—Curtis, MacDonald, Morin, Oleson, Simonds, Hamlin, McHugh, Bedell, Forbes, Grannis, Long, Cole of Milan, Marshall, Rix, Banfill, Brown of Whitefield.

And the motion to indefinitely postpone the joint resolution did not prevail.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed and the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the joint resolution made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.15 o'clock the House took a recess for 1 hour and 45 minutes.

(After recess.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate accept the invitation to attend prayers extended by the House of Representatives.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL.

By Mr. Lord of Manchester, House Bill No. 40, An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester;

Resolved, That the printing of the journals of the sessions of the House on Friday mornings and Monday evenings be consolidated with the journal of Tuesday of each week.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester;

Resolved, That the order whereby House Bill No. 8, An act in amendment of Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1903,

Chapter 22 of the Laws of 1907, Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1909, Chapters 2, 44 and 136 of the Laws of 1913, Chapter 201 of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 45 of the Laws of 1919, relative to county commissioners was referred to the Committee on County Affairs be vacated and the bill be referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Hillsborough.

Messrs. Swenson of Concord, Morin of Berlin and MacDonald of Berlin having qualified before His Excellency the Governor appeared and took their seats as members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.36 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Gallagher of Manchester was granted leave of absence on account of sickness.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 19, An act relating to the issue of bonds and notes by railroads and public utilities reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary,

to whom was referred House Bill No. 4, An act to provide for a revision of the Public Statutes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 11, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward and others, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the joint resolution made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The joint resolution was then read a third time, passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Sara of Lebanon, House Bill No. 41, An act to establish a board in piano tuning and to regulate the practice thereof. To the Committee on Unfinished Business.

By Mr. Sargent of Northfield, House Bill No. 42, An act to annex certain land to union school district number one, Tilton. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Childs of Hillsborough, House Bill No. 43, An act to authorize the stockholders of the Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank to change the name of said institution. To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Bedell of Jefferson, House Bill No. 44, An act to establish a continuous highway from the west side road in the town of Carroll to the Gorham Hill road in the town of Randolph.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Sawyer of Atkinson, House Bill No 45, An act relating to the manner of balloting. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Challis of Manchester, House Joint Resolution No. 5, Joint resolution providing for the placing in the State House of a portrait of the late Senator Henry W. Blair. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Seymour of Carroll, House Joint Resolution No. 6, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Carroll leading from the west side trunk line to Cherry Mountain station. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Bedell of Jefferson, House Joint Resolution No. 7, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Jefferson, leading from the Carroll town line to the Gorham Hill road near Bowman. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Lawrence of Epsom, House Bill No. 46, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Epsom. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 47, An act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of Contoocook Valley Paper Company. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, House Joint Resolution No. 8, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Steele of Thornton, House Joint Resolution No. 9, Joint resolution in favor of the Sandwich Notch road, so-called, in the towns of Thornton and Sandwich. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Ely of Pittsfield, House Joint Resolution No. 10,

Joint resolution in favor of Granite State Deaf Mute Mission. To the Committee on Appropriations.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the President of the New Hampshire College be requested to furnish the House with a general statement of what is included in the estimates of the College for the fiscal years ending August 31, 1922 and 1923, under the general heading of "maintenance," showing what part thereof is expended for salaries of professors and instructors, what part for cost of administration and up-keep, and what part is to be used in aiding students through scholarships or otherwise; also the number of scholarships alloted in the last college year from the maintenance fund of the college; and if any other aid was granted to students from the maintenance fund, to state the amount; and to furnish the House with the total number of students registered this year and the number who were not residents of New Hampshire.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield,—

Resolved, That at least twenty-four hours' notice of all committee hearings shall be given by publishing the same in the journal of the House under the heading "Committee Hearings" and that no final action shall be taken by any committee unless such notice has been published, and, be it further

Resolved, That notice of all reports from committees shall be published in the journal of the House under the heading "Committee Reports" before such reports shall be acted upon by the House.

Mr. Challis of Manchester offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House that any amendment submitted by the Constitutional Convention for the taxation of incomes should be limited to a tax on the income of intangibles, such as stocks or bonds.

The question being on the resolution.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Callahan of Keene moved that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Callahan.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Callahan withdrew his motion.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the resolution was laid upon the table.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. Barrett of Dover gave notice that on Wednesday, January 19, he should move to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mr. Daniell of Greenland having qualified before His Excellency the Governor appeared and took his seat as a member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 11.25 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., January 14, 1921.

Mr. Joseph B. Murdock,
Hill, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Kelley of Concord at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY, 17, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.
The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., January 17, 1921.

Mr. Wm. P. Danforth,
Concord, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,
FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Leavitt of Effingham at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.
Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Mower of Jaffrey and Cass of Columbia were granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Banfill of Stewartstown was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Trapp of Laconia, House Bill No. 48, An act in

amendment of Chapter 297 of the Laws of 1915 relating to the Laconia School District. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough, House Bill No. 49, An act in amendment of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to County Commissioners. To the Committee on County affairs.

By Mr. Jackman of Nashua, House Bill No. 50, An act relating to fishing in Lake Baboosic. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Pridham of Newcastle, House Bill No. 51, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Newcastle. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 52, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 77, Laws of 1909, authorizing towns to raise money for patriotic observances. To the committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Curtis of Berlin, House Bill No. 53, An act to authorize the county of Coos to issue bonds.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Berlin the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Coos.

Subsequently on motion of the same gentleman the order was vacated and the bill referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bemis of Marlborough, House Bill No. 54, An act in amendment of Chapter 257, Laws of 1917, to extend the charter of the Marlborough Water Works Company. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Watson of Alexandria, House Joint Resolution No. 12, Joint resolution in favor of repairing Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Brown of Hudson, House Bill No. 55, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Hudson-Derry road in the town of Hudson to the Massachusetts line at Tyngsboro.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Stevens of Colebrook, House Bill No. 56, An act to amend Chapter 88 of the Laws of 1897, relating to the laying out of the winter roads. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Angell of Derry, House Bill No. 57, An act in amendment of Section 11 of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes relating to exemption from taxation of manufacturing establishments by towns. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Cilley of Manchester, House Bill No. 58, An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Laws of 1907 and Section 1 of Chapter 54 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the Civil War and their wives and widows. To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 59, An act to regulate and limit the investments of savings banks.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, House Bill No. 60, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 158 of the Laws of 1915, relating to terms of the Superior Court for Carroll county. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Leavitt of Effingham, House Joint Resolution No. 13, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Effingham Falls and Lord's Hill road situated in the

town of Effingham. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Amsden of Concord, House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire Sanatorium. To the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Stevens of Colebrook, House Joint Resolution No. 15, Joint resolution in favor of the Diamond Pond road in Stewartstown. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Liscomb of Lebanon House Bill No. 61, An act to authorize the High School district of Lebanon to issue bonds. To the Committee on Education.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Concord, the order whereby House Bill No. 60, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 158 of the Laws of 1915, relating to terms of the Superior Court for Carroll county, was referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes was vacated and the bill referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

STATEMENT FROM STATE TREASURER.

The Speaker presented the following statement from the State Treasurer.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

CONCORD, N. H., January 13, 1921.

Hon. Fred A. Jones,
Speaker of the House,
Concord N. H.

DEAR SIR:

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the House of Representatives, I have the honor to submit the following statement.

The report of the State Treasurer for the year ending August 31, 1920, shows the disbursements on account of the State Board of Education to be as follows:

Salaries	$34,469.56	
Traveling expenses	7,511.96	
Printing	5,019.07	
Incidentals	3,432.67	
Expenses of Board	532.11	
Expenses of conferences	559.26	
Registers	912.25	
New furniture	2,000.04	
Salaries of Superintendents	186,596.58	
Plymouth Normal School	58,551.52	
Keene Normal School	125,221.21	
Mothers' Aid	34,000.00	
Equalization of school privileges	284,768.33	
Schools, distribution to towns under old law	54,563.95	
Vocational education	3,386.79	
		$801,525.30
Vocational Education (U. S. Funds)		11,137.38
		$812,662.68

The following statement shows this expense further classified and the revenues which reduce the expense to the State:

Account	Disbursements	Receipts	Net Expense
Administration	$51,524.63		$51,524.63
Equipment	2,912.29		2,912.29
Supervision	186,596.58	$24,108.33	162,488.25
Support of Schools	339,332.28	203,013.36	136,318.92
Normal Schools	183,772.73	102,726.73	81,046.00
Vocational Education	14,524.17	11,137.38	3,386.79
Mothers' Aid	34,000.00		34,000.00
	$812,662.68	$340,985.80	$471,676.88

The receipts are from the following sources:

Supervision:		
Salaries of Superintendents, paid by Supervisory Unions		$24,108.33
Support of Schools:		
Per capita tax	$147,056.00	
Tax, unincorporated places	15,666.44	
Literary Fund	40,290.92	203,013.36
Normal Schools:		
Board and tuition		102,726.73
Vocational Education:		
U. S. Government		11,137.38
		$340,985.80

Salaries of State Board of Education:

Commissioner	E. W. Butterfield	$5,000.00
Deputy Commissioner	Maro S. Brooks	4,000.00
Deputy Commissioner	James N. Pringle	4,000.00
Deputy Commissioner	Walter M. May	3,250.00
Deputy Commissioner	Harriet L. Huntress	3,000.00
Supervisor of Health	Elizabeth M. Murphy	1,750.00
Accountant	Earle C. Gordon	2,400.00
Registrar	Mary Saltmarsh	1,100.00
Stenographers	Two at $1200.00	2,400.00
Stenographers	One at 1000.00	1,000.00
Stenographers	One at 900.00	900.00
Stenographers	One at 600.00	600.00
Stenographers	One at 720.00	720.00
Clerk	One at 720.00	720.00
Child Labor:		
Inspectors	John Bishop	1,900.00
	Robert J. Mitchell	1,700.00
	Richard H. Horan	1,600.00
Industrial Education	Waldo B. Cookingham (one half salary from U. S. Funds)	2,600.00

LIST OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

Salaries for Fiscal Year 1920-1921.

Walton S. Adams	$2,700.00
William C. T. Adams	3,000.00
Vernon S. Ames	3,000.00
Andrew P. Averill	2,500.00
Harold C. Bales	3,000.00
Everett J. Best	3,500.00
Charles A. Breck	2,900.00
Samuel S. Brooks	2,800.00
William H. Buker	3,200.00
Edgar F. Callahan	3,000.00
H. Lawton Chase	3,000.00
Francis T. Clayton	3,000.00
Carl Cotton	3,000.00
Ralph P. Currier	3,000.00
Charles W. Cutts	3,500.00
Wesley H. Douglass	3,000.00

Fred W. Dudley	$2,700.00
William H. S. Ellingwood	3,100.00
William J. English	2,750.00
Idella K. Farnum	2,500.00
Llewellyn M. Felch	2,800.00
Earl P. Freese	2,800.00
Lorena M. Frost	2,750.00
George R. Gardner	3,200.00
John S. Gilman	3,500.00
George H. Harmon	2,500.00
Clarence M. Harris	3,000.00
Amasa A. Holden	3,000.00
Orin M. Holman	2,900.00
Arthur Irish	3,000.00
Frank W. Jackson	3,500.00
Frederick T Johnson	2,500.00
George A. Keith	3,000.00
Alonzo J. Knowlton	3,300.00
Fred U. Landman	3,500.00
Albert T. Lane	2,800.00
Nahum Leonard	3,000.00
Fred S. Libbey	2,800.00
James A. McDougall	3,000.00
Harry L. Moore	4,000.00
Frank A. Morris	3,000.00
Charles H. Noyes	3,500.00
Norman J. Page	3,000.00
Fred E. Pitkin	3,000.00
Leon E. Prior	3,000.00
Lewis S. Record	3,000.00
Louis D. Record	3,000.00
Carl T. Rhoades	2,800.00
Henry S. Roberts	3,000.00
Louis J. Rundlett	4,700.00
Channing T. Sanborn	3,500.00
H. Leslie Sawyer	3,200.00
William H. Slayton	3,400.00
Alfred W. Smith	3,000.00

George O. Smith	$2,400.00
Willis O. Smith	866.67
Guy E. Speare	3,000.00
George W. Sumner	3,600.00
Herbert F. Taylor	4,500.00
Clifton A. Towle	3,200.00
Eugene Tuttle	2,800.00
Charles H. Walker	3,000.00
Charles W. Walker	2,500.00
Justin O. Wellman	3,500.00
Jacob E. Wignot	3,000.00
Harold C. Wingate	2,500.00
Howard L. Winslow	2,900.00
Walter H. Young	3,000.00
John H. Fuller	3,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. PLUMMER,
State Treasurer.

The statement was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Nashua,—

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall be granted the New Hampshire Good Roads Association for Wednesday evening, January 26th, for the purpose of a Good Roads meeting.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 12 o'clock the House took a recess for 1 hour and 55 minutes.

(After recess.)

The introduction of bills and joint resolutions was resumed.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed, and referred as follows:

By Mr. Reynolds of Dover, House Bill No. 62, An act to

amend Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to County Commissioners. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 63, An act amending Section 10 of Chapter 141 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Laws of 1905 and by Chapter 93 of the Laws of 1913, relating to liens of mechanics and others. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Shackford of Dover, House Bill No. 64, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 29, of the Public Statutes relating to registers of deeds. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Shackford of Dover, House Bill No. 65, An act to amend Chapter 30 of the Public Statutes relating to annual reports of county officers. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Price of Lisbon, House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and then referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Young of Merrimack, House Joint Resolution No. 16, Joint resolution to assist the town of Merrimack in the erection of a concrete arch bridge in the town of Merrimack. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Amsden of Concord, House Joint Resolution No. 17, Joint resolution for additional improvements at the State Hospital. To the Committee on State Hospital.

By Mr. King of Walpole, House Bill No. 67, An act authorizing the transfer of the town of Walpole's interest in the bridges crossing the Connecticut river between the towns of Walpole, New Hampshire and Rockingham and Westminster, Vermont, to the State of New Hampshire highway system. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Davenport of Londonderry, House Bill No. 68, An act in amendment of Chapter 266, Public Statutes relat-

ing to trespass in fruiting season. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 2.24 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 19, An act relating to the issue of bonds and notes by railroads and public utilities. Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord, at 2.26 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Allen of Haverhill was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Bill No. 40, An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont for the Committee on Incorporations to whom was referred House Bill No. 23, An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 6, An act in amendment of Section 8 of Chapter 174 of the Public Statutes relating to a commission to solemnize marriages, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Ahern of Concord, for the Committee on Rules, reported that the committee recommended the adoption of the rules of the 1917 session with the following amendment:

Amend Section 35, Paragraph 2 by adding after the word "each" the words "with the exception of the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations which shall consist of seventeen members each."

And further recommend that the rules be published in the Journal of the House.

The report was accepted and the recommendations of the committee adopted.

RULES OF THE HOUSE.

OF THE DUTY OF THE SPEAKER.

1. The Speaker shall take the chair at precisely the hour to which the House shall have adjourned, and shall immediately call the members to order.

2. He shall preserve decorum and order, may speak on points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House by any two members.

3. Questions shall be distinctly put in this form, to wit: "As many as are of opinion that (as the case may be) say aye;" and after the affirmative vote is expressed, "Those of a contrary opinion say No." If the Speaker doubts or a division is called for, the House shall divide. Those in the

affirmative of the question shall first rise from their seats and shall stand till they be counted and afterwards those in the negative shall rise and stand till they be counted. The Speaker shall then rise and state the decision of the House.

4. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.

5. All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker unless otherwise directed by the House.

6. The Speaker shall designate to which of the standing committees all memorials, petitions, accounts, or other matters shall be referred, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

7. The Speaker shall not be called upon to vote unless the House be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal; and in case of such equal division the question shall be lost.

8. All acts, addresses, and joint resolutions shall be assigned by the Speaker; and all writs, warrants or subpœnas, issued by order of the House, shall be under his hand and seal attested by the clerk.

9. In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the galleries, the Speaker or chairman of the committee of the whole House shall have the power to order the same to be cleared.

10. No person but the members and officers of the House, members of the council, and members of the Senate, the secretary of the state, treasurer, and clerks of the Senate shall be admitted within the door of the Representatives' chamber unless by invitation of the Speaker, or some member of the House with the consent of the Speaker, except in public hearings, parties, their counsel and witnesses, under the direction of the Speaker.

11. The Speaker shall have power to substitute any member to perform the duties of the chair, such substitution not to extend beyond one legislative day.

OF DECORUM AND DEBATE.

12. When any member is about to speak in debate, make a motion, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall

rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the Speaker.

13. If any member transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, and the question of order shall then be distinctly stated from the chair; and in all cases where a member shall be called to order for uttering disrespectful words, upon the request of any member the words objected to shall be reduced to writing by the member so calling to order; after which the member so called to order may explain, and the question shall be open to debate, as in other cases, and decided by the Speaker, whose decision shall be submitted to unless an appeal be made to the House, by a member, in which case the only question shall be, "Is the Speaker's decision correct?" which shall be decided without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he may proceed; if otherwise, and the case may require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

14. In all cases the member first rising shall speak first. When two members rise at the same time, the Speaker shall name the person to speak.

15. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the House; nor more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

16. While the Speaker is putting any question, or addressing the House, no one shall walk out of or across the House; nor in such case, or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse; nor, while a member is speaking shall pass between him and the chair; nor shall any member leave his seat while the yeas and nays are calling.

17. No member shall vote on any question in the event of which he is directly interested; nor in any case where he was not present when the question was put; nor sit upon any committee when he is directly interested in the question under consideration. In case of such interest of a member of a committee, the fact shall be reported to the House, and another person substituted on that question in his place.

18. Every member who shall be in the House when a question is put shall give his vote, unless the House, for special reason, shall excuse him.

19. No motion shall be debated until the same shall be seconded and stated from the chair; and when a motion shall be made and seconded, it shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the Speaker or any member, and delivered at the table, and read by the Speaker, before the same shall be debated.

20. No petition shall be received by the House unless it be presented by a member thereof, nor until the substance of said petition be concisely minuted, and the name of the member, and the town he represents, recorded upon the back thereof; and it shall be the duty of the Speaker to state, in the first place, the substance of the petition as minuted on the back thereof.

21. After a motion is stated by the Speaker, it shall be in possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before an amendment.

22. When any question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but first, to adjourn; second, to lay on the table; third, for the previous question; fourth, to postpone indefinitely; fifth, to postpone to a certain day; sixth, to commit; seventh, to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, for the previous question, and to take from the table, shall be decided without debate.

23. The Speaker shall put the previous question in the following form: "Shall the main question now be put?" and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question has been decided. After the adoption of the previous question, the sense of the House shall forthwith be taken upon pending amendments, in their regular order, and then upon the main question. The motion for the previous question shall not be put unless demanded by three members.

24. All incidental questions of order arising after a motion

for the previous question and related to the subjects affected by the order of the previous question shall be decided without debate.

25. If the previous question is decided in the negative, it shall not be again in order until after adjournment, but the main question shall be left before the House and disposed of as though the previous question had not been put.

26. When a question is postponed indefinitely, the same shall not be acted upon during the session except by unanimous consent.

27. Any member may call for a division of the question when the sense will admit of it; and upon a motion to amend a refusal to strike out words shall neither preclude amendment to such words nor a motion to strike out and insert.

28. A motion for commitment, until it is decided, shall preclude all amendments to the main question, and all motions and reports may be committed at the pleasure of the House.

29. No new motion shall be admitted, under color of amendment, as a substitute for the motion under debate.

30. No vote shall be reconsidered, unless the motion for reconsideration be made by a member who voted with the majority, nor unless the notice of such motion be given on the same day on which the vote passed, or on the next day on which the House shall be in session, between the hours of 10 to 12 o'clock.

31. When the reading of a paper is called for and objected to by any member it shall be determined by a vote of the House.

32. Any member may excuse himself from serving on any committee at the time of his appointment, if he is then a member of two other committees which have not reported.

33. Each member shall seasonably and punctually attend to his duty in the House, and no one shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be sick and unable to attend.

34. The Speaker shall appoint a teller for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to report to the

chair the state of the vote, whenever a division of the House is called for.

OF COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES.

35. The following standing committees shall be appointed early in the January session:

A committee on revising and compiling the laws of the state; a committee on national affairs; a committee on elections; a committee on the judiciary; a committee on banks; a committee on the state prison; a committee on insurance; a committee on the state agricultural college; a committee on agriculture; a committee on manufactures; a committee on appropriations; a committee on retrenchment and reform; a committee on military affairs; a committee on education; a committee on the state normal schools; a committee on incorporations; a committee on towns; a committee on county affairs; a committee on labor; a committee on state hospital; a committee on railroads; a committee on roads, bridges and canals; a committee on unfinished business; a committee on mileage; a committee on fisheries and game; a committee on the industrial school; a committee on soldiers' home; a committee on claims; a committee on forestry; a committee on public health; a committee on public improvements; a committee on school for the feeble-minded; a committee on ways and means; a committee on liquor laws, to consist of fifteen members each; with the exception of the Committees on Judiciary and on Appropriations which shall consist of 17 members each; a committee on Journal of the House, to consist of three members, one of whom shall be the Speaker; a committee on rules, to consist of five members, one of whom shall be the Speaker.

It shall be the duty of the committee on revising and compiling the laws to consider all matters relating to those subjects and recommend such changes, modifications, and additions as may be desirable; also to consider all bills, resolutions, and reports of committees relating to those subjects which may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on national affairs to consider all matters of national concern, all matters re-

ferred to the state by the general government, and all matters pertaining to our federal relations, that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on elections to examine and report upon the certificates or other credentials of the election of the members returned to serve in this House, and to take into consideration all petitions and other matters in relation to elections or returns as shall be presented, or come into question, and shall be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on the judiciary to take into consideration all matters in relation to the judiciary system of the state; and all matters where a constitutional question is involved. All applications for acts of incorporation which under the rules would be referred to the committee on incorporations or manufactures, shall first be referred to the committee on the judiciary to inquire whether the object of the applicants cannot be obtained by voluntary incorporation under the general laws of the state, and shall report accordingly.

It shall be the duty of the committee on banks to consider all applications for the incorporation of banks, and all subjects relating to such institutions that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on the state prison to take into consideration all matters in relation to the state prison, to examine all reports and accounts that may be submitted by the warden, or that may be otherwise referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on insurance to consider all applications for the incorporation of insurance companies, and all subjects relating to insurance companies, domestic and foreign, and whether life, fire, marine, accidental, or of any other character, that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on the state agricultural college to examine into the rules and government of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, and all matters connected therewith, and all such other matters as may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on agriculture to take into consideration all matters concerning the agricultural interests, and the incorporation of agricultural societies, that shall be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on manufactures to consider all matters concerning the manufacturing interests of the state, and all applications for incorporation for manufacturing purposes, which shall be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on appropriations to examine and take into consideration the state of the treasury, to report what sum it may be necessary to raise as a state tax, and on every subject touching the financial interests of the state that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on retrenchment and reform to take into consideration the public expenditures and all questions relating thereto; and also to consider all questions relating to the subject of administrative reforms in the various departments of the state government that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on military affairs to consider all applications for altering and amending laws regulating the militia of this state, and for the removal of military officers, that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on education to consider all subjects relative to the regulation of school districts and schools, and all matters concerning education that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on the state normal schools to examine in relation to the government of the state normal schools and all matters connected therewith, and all such other matters as may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on incorporations to consider all applications for acts of incorporation and all other matters which may come in question relative to bodies corporate, that may be referred to it, excepting those relating to towns, parishes, turnpikes, railroads, canals, banks, agricultural societies, and factories.

It shall be the duty of the committee on towns to con-

sider all applications for the alteration of town lines by the annexation of one portion of a town to another, and all applications for incorporation of towns, by division of towns, or otherwise, that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on county affairs to consider all applications for the alteration of county lines or the creation of new counties, the salaries of county officers, the settlement of paupers, and all other matters relating to county affairs that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on labor to consider all petitions relating to labor and wages, and all other matters relating thereto that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on state hospital to examine all accounts of the state hospital, particularly of those relating to the expenditure of moneys appropriated by the state; to examine into the rules and government of the institution, and all matters of general interest connected therewith, and all such matters as shall be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on railroads to consider all petitions for the incorporation of railroads for alterations, and all matters relative thereto that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on roads, bridges and canals to consider all applications for the incorporation of turnpikes, bridges or canals, and for the alteration of tolls, and all matters relative thereto that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on unfinished business to examine and report, from the journals of the last session, all such matters as were then pending and undetermined.

It shall be the duty of the committee on mileage to ascertain the distance traveled by each member of the House, and report to the House the names of the several members and the mileage allowed to each.

It shall be the duty of the committee on fisheries and game to consider all matters concerning the location, growth, cultivation, protection, improvement, and preservation of

fish and game within the state, and all matters relative thereto, which may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on the industrial school to examine the rules and government of the institution, and all matters of general interest connected therewith, and all such other matters as may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on soldiers' home to consider all the matters pertaining to the soldiers' home that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on forestry to consider all matters relating to the forests of the state and public parks that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on public health to consider all matters relating to the health of the inhabitants of the state and vital statistics that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on public improvements to consider all matters pertaining to public improvements in the state that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on school for the feeble-minded to examine the rules and government of the institution, and all matters of general interest connected therewith, and all such matters as may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on claims to audit, adjust, and report on all accounts and claims that may be presented for allowance, except accounts for printing, military accounts, and accounts for engrossing bills.

It shall be the duty of the committee on journal of the House from day to day, and before the commencement of the morning session, to examine the journal of the preceding day, and report to the House, at once any errors; *provided, however,* that the journal of the preceding day shall be read at the opening of any morning session whenever requested by any ten members.

It shall be the duty of the committee on ways and means to examine and take into consideration the state of the treasury, to consider and report on all bills and resolutions relating to raising money by a state tax, the apportionment of the same, and all other methods proposed for raising a

revenue for the state; and to consider and report upon every other subject touching the financial interest of the state that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on liquor laws to consider all matters pertaining to the liquor laws of the state that may be referred to it.

It shall be the duty of the committee on rules to consider all matters pertaining to the rules of procedure of the House that may be referred to it.

Any bill or joint resolution introduced by a committee, the subject-matter of which is foreign to that which such committee was appointed to consider, as prescribed by this rule, shall not be placed upon its third reading until such bill shall have been referred to and considered by the committee charged with the duty of considering the subject-matter of such bill or joint resolution.

36. All other committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

37. The standing committees shall attend at their respective committee-rooms two hours before the meeting of the House in the morning, and at such other times as the House shall order; and no committee shall sit during the sitting of the House unless when the Speaker shall consider it necessary. The committees shall promptly consider and report on all matters referred to them.

38. The first named member of any committee appointed by the Speaker of the House shall be chairman; and in case of his absence, or being excused by the House, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen, unless the committee by a majority of the number, elect a chairman. And when any committee shall report otherwise than by bill, they shall, if the subject admit of it, subjoin to their report a resolution making such disposition of the matter committed to them as to the committee shall seem expedient.

39. Whenever it shall not be convenient for any standing committee to attend properly to all the business which may be properly referred to it. the Speaker may, on a vote of the

House to that effect, appoint an additional committee on the same subject, to consist of the same number of members as the original committee, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration all matters in relation to that subject which shall be referred to it by the House, and to report thereon.

OF BILLS.

40. All petitions, memorials and other papers addressed to the House and all bills and resolutions to be introduced in the House, shall be endorsed with the name of the person or committee presenting them, with the subject-matter of the same, and shall be placed by the members presenting them in a box provided for the purpose by the clerk. The Speaker shall take them up for introduction at the morning session.

41. Every bill and resolution originally introduced into the House shall be expressed in words clearly, so that it shall not be necessary to refer to any other act or statute to ascertain the meaning thereof.

42. Every bill shall have three several readings in the House previous to its passage. The first reading shall be for information; and thereupon if it be not rejected or otherwise disposed of by the House, the question shall be, "Shall the bill be read a second time?" and if ordered to a second reading it shall immediately be read a second time by its title, be laid upon the table to be printed under Rule 46, and be by the Speaker referred to the appropriate standing committee, unless otherwise ordered by the House.. No bill after it has been read a second time shall have a third reading until after an adjournment. The time assigned for the third reading of bills and resolutions shall be three o'clock in the afternoon, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

43. No amendment shall be made but upon the second reading of a bill or joint resolution; and all bills and resolutions shall be in writing, with the name of the member and the town he represents on the back thereof. The orders of the day for the reading of bills and joint resolutions shall hold for every succeeding day until disposed of.

44. All bills, and all votes and resolutions that are necessary to be carried to the Senate for their concurrence, may be sent by the assistant clerk.

45. Every bill shall be marked on the first page "House bill," and every joint resolution shall be marked "House joint resolution," and each bill and resolution shall be regularly numbered, beginning with No. 1, and continuing consecutively, as each bill or joint resolution is introduced into the House.

46. Every bill and joint resolution introduced into the House, either by a member or by a committee, shall be declared by the Speaker laid upon the table, after it has been read a second time, and the clerk shall procure a sufficient number of copies, printed on paper of uniform size, for the use of the House, and cause the same to be distributed to the members, and when printed the bill shall be immediately delivered to the committee to which it shall have been referred. Bills and joint resolutions received from the Senate shall be printed at the same stage of their procedure unless they have been printed in the Senate and copies distributed in the House.

47. When a bill or joint resolution is reported favorably with an amendment, the report of the committee shall state the amendment and then recite the section of the bill or resolution in full as amended. The bill or resolution, if the change is material, shall then be laid upon the table to be printed and distributed as required by Rule 46 and when so printed and distributed the clerk shall, after one day, cause the same to be laid upon the Speaker's table, and it shall be taken up in order without motion and disposed of in the same manner as it would have been had it not been declared laid upon the table.

All bills or joint resolutions otherwise reported shall be laid upon the table and shall not be finally acted upon until the following legislative day, and a list of such bills or joint resolutions with the report thereon shall be published in the journal of proceedings for the day on which they were reported.

48. All bills and joint resolutions appropriating money, reported from any committee, shall be referred to the committee on appropriation for revision.

49. No standing rule or order of the House shall be rescinded without one day's notice being given of the motion therefor; nor suspended, unless by a vote therefor of two thirds of the members present.

OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

50. The House may resolve itself into committee of the whole House at any time, on the motion of a member made for that purpose; and in forming a committee of the whole House the Speaker shall leave the chair, and a chairman to preside in committee shall be appointed by the Speaker.

51. Upon bills and resolutions committed to a committee of the whole House, the bill or resolution shall first be read throughout by the clerk, and then again read and debated by clauses, leaving the preamble of the bill to be last considered; the body of the bill or resolution shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments, noting the page and line, shall be duly entered by the clerk on a separate paper, as the same shall be agreed to by the committee and so reported to the House. After report, the bill or resolution shall again be subject to be debated and amended by clauses before a question to pass it to a third reading be taken.

52. The rules of proceeding in the House shall be observed in committee of the whole House, so far as they may be applicable, except the rule limiting the time of speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE DAY.

53. The Speaker shall call for petitions from members of the House. The petitions having been presented and disposed of, reports first from the standing and then from the select committees shall be called for and disposed of. And the above business shall be done in no other part of the day, except by permission of the House.

54. The unfinished business in which the House was

engaged at the last preceding adjournment, if called for by any member, shall have the preference over all other business except the general order of the day; and no motion, or any other business except the general order of the day, shall be received without special leave of the House, until the former is disposed of.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Bemis of Marlborough, House Bill No. 69, An act relating to the carrying and use of firearms. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 70, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 69, Laws of 1909, prohibiting sales of merchandise in bulk in fraud of creditors.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Shackford of Dover, House Bill No. 71, An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 3 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the publication of statutes, journals, and reports. To the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the reading of bills a first time by their titles made in order.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Shackford of Dover, House Bill No. 72, An act relating to office hours of Registers of Deeds and Registers of Probate. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cole of Hampton, House Bill No. 73, An act to confirm the action of town meeting in Hampton in December 20, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Newell of Newport, House Bill No. 74, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Newport held on November 2, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Barrett of Troy, House Bill No. 75, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Troy held on November 2, 1920. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Abbott of Wilton, House Bill No. 76, An act repealing Chapter 103 of the Laws of 1915 and creating a State Highway Board. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Cole of Hampton, House Joint Resolution No. 18, Joint resolution to provide for a breakwater in the town of Hampton. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Daniell of Greenland, House Joint Resolution No. 19, Joint resolution in favor of New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts. To the Committee on Agriculture College.

By Mr. McHugh of Gorham, House Bill No. 77, An act in amendment of Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1913 relating to exempting municipal indebtedness from taxation. To the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Sargent of Northfield, House Bill No. 78, An act to close a portion of Winnipesaukee river for fishing through the ice for the term of five years. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Normandin of Laconia, House Bill No. 79, An act in amendment of Chapter 309 of Session Laws of 1915 entitled "An act in amendment of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Laconia lodge No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks' passed at the Session of Legislature in 1915." To the Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Hunkins of Littleton, House Bill No. 80, An act to repeal Chapter 106 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the public schools and establishing a State Board of Education. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Libbey, of Wentworth, House Bill No. 81, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town

meeting of the town of Wentworth. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Crane of New London, House Bill No. 82, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Sunapee Lake road in the town of New London to the junction of the West Side road in the town of Grantham. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Dover, House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages. To the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Cole of Milan, House Joint Resolution No. 21. Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Milan leading from West Milan to Pontook Falls in the town of Dummer. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Joint Resolution No. 22, Joint resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin and the improvement of the highway leading from the Merrimack Valley road to the same. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, House Bill No. 83, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Ossipee. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, House Bill No. 84, An act authorizing the town of Ossipee to exempt from taxation the property of the Ossipee Water and Electric Company. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, House Bill No. 85, An act in amendment of Chapter 184 Public Statutes, Section 4, relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

On motion of Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Carroll.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, House Bill No. 86, An act relating to the election of county officers. To the Committee on County Affairs.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, House Joint Resolution No. 23, Joint resolution to recognize as official an illustrated guide of New Hampshire. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Simonds of Dalton, House Joint Resolution No. 24, Joint resolution for the construction of a bridge crossing the Connecticut river between the town of Dalton, New Hampshire and the town of Lunenberg, Vermont. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Sargent of Concord, House Bill No. 87, An act to establish a police commission for the city of Concord under Laws of 1913, Chapter 148.

On motion of Mr. Danforth of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Concord.

By Mr. Morse of Littleton, House Bill No. 88, An act repealing the direct primary and establishing a caucus and convention law. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Willey of Newmarket, House Bill No. 89, An act repealing the direct primary and establishing a caucus and convention law. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ely of Pittsfield, House Bill No. 90, An act in amendment of Section 28 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 as amended by Section 8 of Chapter 229 of Laws of 1917, relating to motor vehicles. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 91, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes relating to interest and usury. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Messenger of Lebanon, House Joint Resolution No. 25, Joint resolution in aid of the town of Lebanon in building a bridge across the Mascoma river. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Grannis of Lancaster, House Bill No. 92, An act in amendment of Chapter 43 of the Public Statutes relating to duties of town officers. To the Committee on Towns.

By Mr. Coombs of Winchester, House Bill No. 93, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side

road in Winchester to the Massachusetts state line at Warwick. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Cole of Milan, House Bill No. 94, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side road at Groveton to the East Side road at Pontook Falls. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord.

Resolved, That the Honorable Senate be notified that the House of Representatives will be ready to meet the Senate in convention at 12 o'clock, noon, today, for the purpose of proceeding to the election of a secretary of state, state treasurer and commissary-general.

On motion of Mr. Swan of Keene.

Resolved, That the order whereby House Bill No. 67, An act authorizing the transfer of the town of Walpole's interest in the Bridges crossing the Connecticut river between the towns of Walpole, New Hampshire, and Rockingham and Westminster, Vermont, to the State of New Hampshire highway system, was referred to the Committee on Public Improvements be revoked and that the bill be referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover.

Resolved, That the Honorable Senate be requested to return to the House, House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate will meet the House of Representatives in joint convention as 12 o'clock noon, today, for the purpose of proceeding to the election of a secretary of state, state treasurer and commissary-general.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution.

Resolved, That House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution be recalled from the Committee on Finance and that the Senate accede to the request of the House of Representatives and return the same to that body.

IN CONVENTION.

The Honorable Senate then came in and the two branches being in convention, on motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, That we proceed to the election of a secretary of state, state treasurer and commissary-general.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord, the clerk was directed to cast one ballot for Edwin C. Bean for Secretary of State.

The ballot was so cast and Edwin C. Bean was declared elected secretary of state for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Concord, the clerk was directed to cast one ballot for John W. Plummer for state treasurer.

The ballot was so cast and John W. Plummer was declared elected state treasurer for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the clerk was directed to cast one ballot for Charles W. Howard for commissary-general.

The ballot was so cast and Charles W. Howard was declared elected commissary-general for the ensuing two years.

On motion of Senator McKay of District No. 16—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to notify the secretary of state, state treasurer and commissary-general of their election.

The chairman appointed as such committee, Senator McKay of District No. 16, and Messrs. Ordway of Milford and Stevens of Colebrook.

On motion of Senator Greer of District No. 17, the convention rose.

HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 12.37 o'clock the House took a recess until 1.45 o'clock.

(After recess.)

Mr. Barrett of Dover moved that the House reconsider its action whereby it passed House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Barrett.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Barrett of Dover moved the previous question.

The motion was seconded by the required number.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover.

Mr. Barrett demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result.

YEAS, 152.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Flanders, Scott, Knights, Brown of Epping, Fellowes, Hatch, McReel, Frost of Fremont, Randall, Parker, Fish, Stevens of Kingston, Davenport, Rousseau, Sanborn of Newmarket, Willey of Newmarket, Andrews, Dow, Benfield, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Cox, Jameson, Gove, Jenness, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Reynolds, Moody, Smart, Wentworth, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Smith of Farmington, Hartford, Berry of New Durham, Haley, Gelinas, McDuffee, Woodward, Rainville, Leary, Perreault, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Sanborn of Center Harbor, Tarlson, Kempton, Normandin, Avery of Laconia, Piper, Wilson, Carter.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Phelps, Head, Perkins, Blanchard, McCrillis, Schenck, Clow, Young of Wolfeboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Stone of Andover, Call, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Swenson, Otis, Newton, Thayer, Clarke, Kelley of Concord, Lawrence, Clough,

Garneau, Holmes, Ladd, Bates, Cass of Pembroke, Forcier, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Chase.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Adams of Hancock, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Challis, Broderick, Gorham, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Tobin, Rainford, Godbout, McCarthy, Chevrette, Donnelly, Smith of Manchester, Sullivan of Manchester, Maloney, Hecker, Larivee, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Lamy, Maynard, Rajotte, Dionne, Francoeur, Gagnon, Gauthier, Avard, Jackman of Nashua, Boivert of Nashua, Lampron, Richard of Nashua, Earley, O'Neil, Cotton, Morse of Nashua, Hallisey, Ravenelle, Winn, Aubut, Larouche, Soucy, Derby, Nichols, Peaslee of Weare.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Lewis, Tuttle of Harrisville, Mason of Keene, Sawtell, Barrett of Troy, Wells, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—None.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Blandin, Avery of Campton, Dane, Haskell of Holderness, Hunkins, Mason of Lyman, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY.—Abramson, Sheridan, of Berlin, Beaudoin of Berlin, Stevens of Colebrook, Christopher, Blodgett, Kimball of Stratford.

NAYS, 202.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Fiske, Collins, Angell, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Dudley, Daniell, Cole of Hampton, Towle, Ibbotson, Hodgdon, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Kelley of Sandown, Smith of Seabrook.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Locke, Houston, Durnin, Willey of Durham, Tuttle of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Knox, Evans, Meader, Parsons.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Rand, Page, Trapp, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Gordon, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Ela, Leavitt of Effingham, Gray of Jackson, Hodsdon, Palmer.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Farnum, Colby, Cummings, Mason of Canterbury, Robinson, Amsden, Danforth, Brown

of Concord, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Sargent of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Gilchrist, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Murdock, Otterson, Straw, Emerson, Crane, Sargent of Northfield, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Rockwood, Ellsworth, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Greer, Brooks of Greenfield, Spaulding, Cilley, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes Lord of Manchester, Norton, Burman, Cavanaugh, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Garmon, Haselton, Merrill, Sheridan of Manchester, Johnston, Kimball of Manchester, Pierce of Manchester, Streeter, Richard of Manchester, Allen of Manchester, Dobbie, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Janelle, Eaton of Mason, Young of Merrimack, Lovejoy of Milford, McIntire of Milford, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Winslow, Foisie, Hooper, Walker, Frost of Pelham, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Pierce of Dublin, Damon, Wilder, Booth, Donahue, Callahan, Swan, Hall, Rice, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Lane, King, Whitman, Barney of Winchester.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Davidson, Barney of Claremont, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Nelson, Porter, Lovejoy of Lempster, Dodge of Newport, Kendall, Newell, Chellis, Philbrick, Osborne, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Abbe, Heath, Kelley of Canaan, Rudd, Pariso, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Carr, Davison, Poor, Liscomb, Messenger, Ross, Sara, Fogg, Batchelder, Price, Pushee, Frazer, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Steele, McLinn, Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.—Carpenter, MacDonald, Morin, Oleson, Hutchins, Simonds, Hamlin, McHugh, Bedell, Forbes, Grannis, Cole of Milan, Rix, Stone of Stark, Brown of Whitefield.

Mr. Foss of Dover, voting yes, was paired with Mr. Lowe of Rochester, voting no. Mr. Fairbanks of Dover, voting

yes, was paired with Mr. Sherry of Dover, voting no. Miss Doe of Rollinsford, voting no, was paired with Mr. Yeaton of Rollinsford, voting yes. Mr. Tilton of Laconia, voting no, was paired with Mr. Philbrook of Laconia, voting yes. Mr. Bell of Bennington, voting yes, was paired with Mr. Allen of Haverhill, voting no. Mr. Boisvert of Greenville, voting no, was paired with Mr. Sullivan of Nashua, voting yes. Mr. Ordway of Milford, voting no, was paired with Mr. Pelletier of Nashua, voting yes. Mr. Curtis of Berlin, voting no, was paired with Mr. Seymour of Carroll, voting yes.

And the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The joint resolution was then sent to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The introduction of bills was resumed.

The following bills were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Winn of Nashua, House Bill No. 95, An act in amendment of Chapter 208 of the Laws of 1901 and of Chapter 148 of the Laws of 1913 and creating a police commission for the city of Nashua elected by the people.

Read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua moved that the order whereby the foregoing bill was referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua be vacated and the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the motion was laid upon the table.

By Mr. Smith of Farmington, House Bill No. 96, An act to absorb the Farmington village precinct. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Davis of Derry, House Bill No. 97, An act in amendment of Chapter 275 of the Public Statutes relating to larceny and receiving stolen goods. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, House Bill No. 98, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919 in relation to the New Hampshire law reports. To the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Challis of Manchester moved that the following resolution be taken from the table.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House that any amendment submitted by the Constitutional Convention for the taxation of incomes should be limited to a tax on the income of intangibles, such as stocks and bonds.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Challis, Mr. Rogers of Wakefield called for a division.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester with the call for a division pending was laid upon the table and made a special order for Thursday, January 20, at 11.01 o'clock.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Normandin of Laconia the order whereby House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 297 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the Laconia school district was referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes was vacated and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegations from the city of Laconia.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester at 3.42 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 40, An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the rules were suspended and the third reading of the bill by its title made in order.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.45 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Appelman of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Davidson of Charlestown, Petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church of North Charlestown praying that no change be made in the present Sunday law.

Presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Collins of Danville, House Bill No. 99, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 100, An act to improve the fishing in Connecticut lakes in the town of Pittsburg. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the reading of bills a first time by their titles made in order.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 102, An act for the protection of deer. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Joint Resolution No. 26, Joint resolution in favor of making permanent repairs on the Lake Shore road in the town of Pittsburg. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Joint Resolution No. 27, Joint resolution for improvement of state highway in Pittsburg extending from Farnsworth place to Second lake. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Thompson of Franklin, House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell. To the Committee on Claims.

(Mr. Childs of Hillsborough in the chair.)

By Mr. Harris of Orford, House Bill No. 103, An act to repeal Chapter 7 of the session laws of 1907 entitled, An act to amend Chapter 11 of the session laws of 1899 concerning holidays. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Davidson of Charlestown, House Bill No. 104, An act to establish a continuous highway from the Vermont state line at North Walpole to the West Side road in Lebanon. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Morse of Littleton, House Joint Resolution, No. 29, Joint resolution providing for additional compensation for the compilation and preparation of a digest of the Supreme Court decisions. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Cotton of Nashua, House Bill No. 105, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1911 to provide medical treatment for the victims of industrial accidents. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Pelletier of Nashua, House Bill No. 106, An act to define the rights of trade unions. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Dodge of Concord, House Bill No. 107, An act in amendment of Chapter 86 of the Laws of 1919 relating to motor vehicles engaged in the carriage of passengers for hire. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Dodge of Concord, House Bill No. 108, An act in amendment of Chapter 139 of the Laws of 1919 relating to taxation of street railways. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Clough of Grantham, House Bill No. 109, An act in amendment of Section 12, Chapter 183, Laws of 1917, to provide a woman factory inspector. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Otis of Concord, House Bill No. 110, An act amending sub-section (b) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Otis of Concord, House Bill No. 111, An act in amendment of sub-sections (c) and (e) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the issue of stock of public utility corporations. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. McCarthy of Manchester, House Bill No. 112, An act to refer changes in city government to its people.

Read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester moved that the bill be referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the City of Manchester.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Kenney.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the bill, after being printed, was laid upon the table.

By Mr. Chase of Warner, House Bill No. 113, An act

providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years. To the Committee on Towns.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 114, An act in amendment of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the sale of securities. To the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth, House Bill No. 115, An act entitled "An act relating to the powers of the board of public works of the city of Portsmouth."

On motion of Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Portsmouth.

By Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth, House Bill No. 116, An act relative to the registration of persons, firms or corporations, designing to install wires, or other apparatus for electric light, heat or power purposes. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Sheridan of Manchester, House Bill No. 117, An act to prohibit fishing through the ice in Massabesic lake. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 118, An act in amendment of Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1905 and Chapter 16 of the Public Statutes relating to the powers of the state treasurer to borrow money. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 119, An act in regard to disposition of records of the state treasurer. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 120, An act repealing Chapter 98 of the Laws of 1907 and changing the fiscal year of the state. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Joint Resolution No. 30, Joint resolution for the erection of a stock barn and purchase of land at the state industrial school. To the Committee on Industrial School.

By Mr. Smith of Seabrook, House Bill No. 121, An act

to purchase a right of way of the Seabrook and Hampton Beach Street Railway Company. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Phelps of Conway, House Bill No. 122, An act to authorize unordained ministers to solemnize marriages. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wentworth of Dover, House Bill No. 123, An act amending Section 8 of Chapter 220 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the salary of the deputy secretary of state. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Moody of Dover, House Bill 124, An act to repeal Section 50 of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917, providing for a State Commissioner of Law Enforcement. To the Committee on Liquor Laws.

By Mr. Murdock of Hill, House Bill No. 125, An act authorizing the appointment of highway patrols. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Winn of Nashua, House Bill No. 126, An act to amend sub-division (c) of Section 17 of Chapter 13 of the Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1919 relating to traps and snares. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

(The Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Challis of Manchester called for the special order; it being the resolution introduced by himself.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House that any amendment submitted by the Constitutional Convention for the taxation of incomes should be limited to a tax on the income of intangibles, such as stocks or bonds.

The question being:

Shall the resolution be taken from the table?

A division pending, the division was had and the vote declared to be manifestly in the affirmative.

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the affirmative prevailed.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont asked for a division.

A division being had 203 gentlemen voted in the affirmative and 110 gentlemen voted in the negative and the resolution passed.

Mr. Wentworth of Dover demanded the yeas and nays.

(Mr. Challis of Manchester in the chair.)

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS, 165.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Scott, Knights, Daniell, Cole of Hampton, Parker, Pridham, Rousseau, Andrews, Fernald, Benfield, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Durnin, Smith of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Hartford, Berry of New Durham, Meader, Gelinas, Lowe, Leary, Letourneau, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Page, Trapp, Piper, Gordon, Wilson.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Ela, Morey, Gray of Jackson, Schenck, Clow, Young of Wolfboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Stone of Andover, Colby, Call, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Robinson, Swenson, Amsden, Danforth, Thayer, Brown of Concord, Leavitt of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Garneau, Holmes, Murdock, Otterson, Straw, Bates, Cass of Pembroke, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Rockwood, Brooks of Greenfield, Boisvert of Greenville, Adams of Hancock, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Spaulding, Gile, Lord, of Manchester, Burman, Cavanaugh, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Garmon, Merrill, Broderick, Gorham, Heffron, Kelley of Manchester, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Tobin, Rainford, Streeter, McCarthy, Donnelly, White, Larivee, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Cote, Lamy, Maynard, Rajotte, Gagnon, Gauthier, Janelle, Eaton of Mason, Love-

joy of Milford, McIntire of Milford, Ordway, Kittredge, Winslow, Jackman of Nashua, Hallisey, Winn, Walker, Derby, Peaslee of Weare, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Lewis, Damon, Wilder, Hall, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Lane, King, Wells, Whitman.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croyden, Nelson, Porter, Lovejoy of Lempster, Dodge of Newport, Kendall, Newell, Osborne.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Heath, Avery of Campton, Kelley of Canaan, Rudd, Pariso, Dane, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Sara, Batchelder, Price, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY.—Grannis, Blodgett, Stone of Stark, Kimball of Stratford.

NAYS, 110.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Fiske, Angell, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Brown of Epping, Dudley, Fellowes, Frost of Fremont, Davenport, Towle, Ibbotson, Hodgdon, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Schurman, Cole of Salem, Haigh.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Locke, Moody, Smart, Wentworth, Schackford, Barrett of Dover, Willey of Durham, Knox, Haley, Woodward, Doe of Rollinsford, Parsons.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Tarlson, Kempton, Normandin, Avery of Laconia, Bell of Laconia, Philbrook, Peaslee of Laconia, Carter, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Phelps, Blanchard, McCrillis, Palmer.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Cummings, Sargent of Concord, Gilchrist, Clough, Thompson, Emerson, Crane, Sargent of Northfield, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Ellsworth, Pettee, Greer, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Cilley, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Norton, Gray of Manchester, Johnston, Allen of Manchester, Dobbie, Hecker, Young of Merrimack, Hunt of Nashua, Foisie, Cotton, Hooper, Frost of Pelham, Nichols.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Pierce of Dublin, Tuttle of Harrisville, Booth, Donahue, Mower, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Sawtell, Barney of Winchester, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Barney of Claremont, Quimby, Chellis, Philbrick, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Pattee, Abbe, Carr, Haskell of Holderness, Liscomb, Ross, Fogg, Hunkins, Pushee, Harris, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, McLinn.

COOS COUNTY.—Sheridan of Berlin, Beaudoin of Berlin, Hutchins, Seymour, Hamlin, Cole of Milan.

And the resolution passed.

Mr. Ahern of Concord moved that the vote be reconsidered.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Ahern.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

(The Speaker in the chair.)

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua moved that his motion that the order whereby House Bill No. 95, An act in amendment of Chapter 208 of the Laws of 1901 and of Chapter 148 of the Laws of 1913 and creating a police commission for the city of Nashua elected by the people, was referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua be vacated and the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, be taken from the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Winslow that the order be vacated and the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Cotton of Nashua demanded the yeas and nays but subsequently withdrew his demand.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.03 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., JANUARY 21, 1921.

Mr. Wm. J. Ahern,
Concord, N. H.

DEAR SIR.—I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,
FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Haskell of Holderness at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., JANUARY 24, 1921.

Mr. George A. Blanchard,
Moultonborough, N. H.

DEAR SIR.—I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,
FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Deal of Piermont at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Stone of Stark and Sawyer of Salisbury were granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Houston of Dover was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Brown of Concord was granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Messrs. Morse of Littleton, Lampron of Nashua and Hall of Keene were granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Education to whom was referred House Bill No. 42, An act to annex certain land to Union School District number one, Tilton reported the same, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont for the Committtee on Education to whom was referred House Bill No. 61, An act to authorize the high school district of Lebanon to issue bonds, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill order to a third reading.

Mr. Cilley of Manchester for the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred House Bill No. 58, An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Laws of 1907 and Section 1 of Chapter 54 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the

Civil War and their wives and widows, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred House Bill No. 39, An act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. A department of highways for the city of Manchester is hereby established and upon the passage of this act the Governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint three citizens of Manchester who shall be commissioners of highways, and who shall hold office for a term of one year from the date of their appointment; and in the month of January, 1922 the Board of Aldermen of Manchester shall elect three citizens of Manchester who shall be Commissioners of Highways, one of whom shall hold office for a term of two years, one for four years and one for six years from the date of the expiration of the term of the Highway Commissioners appointed by the Governor and Council, and biennially thereafter, in the month of January, the Board of Aldermen shall elect one Commissioner who shall take the place of the one whose term expires and who shall hold office for a term of six years; said Commissioners shall be paid a salary of two hundred dollars per year in full for all services rendered, except the chairman who shall be paid a salary of two hundred fifty dollars per year in full for all services rendered.

Further amend said bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 3. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall have full power to remove and Commissioner appointed by him, when he shall deem it expedient

and the Board of Aldermen shall have like power of removal of any Commissioner appointed by them.

Amend Section 5 of said bill by adding after the word "Commissioners" in the 7th line thereof the words "and the Mayor."

Further amend said bill by striking out all of section 7 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, except that no provision of this act shall be construed to repeal any of the powers of the Mayor of said city except as the same relates to the appointment of Commissioners, and this act shall take effect on its passage.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester to whom was referred House Bill No. 39, entitled, An act to establish a Department of Highways for the city of Manchester, being unable to agree with the majority, reported the same with the following amendments and with the recommendation that the bill as amended, ought to pass. Amend Section 2 of said act by striking out all of said section and in place thereof insert the following:

SECT. 2. A Department of Highways for the city of Manchester is hereby established and upon the passage of this act, the Mayor shall appoint three citizens of Manchester, who shall have been residents therein at least seven (7) years immediately preceding the date of their appointment, who shall constitute a Board of Highway commissioners for said City, one of whom shall hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years and annually thereafter in the month of February, the Mayor shall appoint one commissioner, who shall take the place of the one whose term expires and who shall serve for three years, unless sooner removed as hereinafter provided, and any vacancy in said board shall be filled in the same manner. Each commissioner shall be paid a salary of two hundred dollars per year, in full for all services rendered.

Amend Section 3 of said act by striking out in the first and second lines thereof, the words "The Governor," with advice and consent of the Council, and insert in place thereof the words "The Mayor," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 3. The Mayor shall have full power to remove any commissioner, when he shall deem it expedient.

THEOPHIL LARIVEE
THOMAS D. KELLEY
JOHN J. GORHAM
CORNELIUS J. SULLIVAN, JR.
ROMEO L. JANELLE
EDWARD RAJOTTE
WILFRED A. LAMY
JAMES B. McCARTHY
JEREMIAH J. LEAHY
ALFRED F. MAYNARD
MICHAEL S. DONNELLY
PATRICK SHERIDAN
EUGENE HEFFRON
JOSEPH P. KENNEY
JAMES V. BRODERICK
HENRY R. BLAIS

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion of Mr. McCarthy.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Ahern of Concord moved that the bill and reports with the motion to substitute pending be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, January 26, at 11.01 o'clock.

(Discussion ensued as to time.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being:

Shall the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion to substitute did not prevail.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result.

YEAS, 61.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Colcord of Candia, Daniell, Pridham, Sanborn of Newmarket.

STRAFFORD COUNTY,—Gelinas, Rainville, Leary, Parsons.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Rand, Kempton, Normandin.

CARROLL COUNTY.—None.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Robinson, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Straw, Bates, Cass of Pembroke.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Rockwood, Ellsworth, Brooks of Greenfield, Boisvert of Greenville, Broderick, Gorham, Heffron, Jennings, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Tobin, McCarthy, Larivee, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Lamy, Maynard, Dionne, Francoeur, Boivert of Nashua, Richard of Nashua, Earley, Cotton, Hallisey, Ravenelle, Winn, Pelletier, Soucy.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—None.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Porter.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Blandin, Mooney, Mason of Lyman.

COOS COUNTY.—Sheridan of Berlin, Beaudoin of Berlin, Willett, Hutchins, McHugh.

NAYS, 253.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Flanders, Fiske, Collins, Scott, Angell, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Knights, Fellowes, Hatch, McReel, Frost of Fremont, Randall, Cole of Hampton, Fish, Stevens of Kingston, Davenport, Doe of Newfields, Rousseau, Andrews, Dow, Towle, Fernald, Ibbotson, Hett, Benfield, Hodgdon, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Heffernan, Schurman, Cox, Jameson, Gove, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Locke, Foss, Reynolds, Moody

Smart, Wentworth, Fairbanks, Shackford, Sherry, Durnin, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Tuttle of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Knox, Hartford, Haley, Evans, McDuffee, Lowe, Woodward, Doe of Rollinsford, Yeaton, Boucher, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Page, Tarlson, Avery of Laconia, Trapp, Philbrook, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Wilson, Carter, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Ela, Perkins, Blanchard, McCrillis, Schenck, Palmer, Clow, Young of Wolfboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Stone of Andover, Farnum, Colby, Cummings, Mason of Canterbury, Swenson, Amsden, Otis, Newton, Thayer, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Clarke, Kelley of Concord, Sargent of Concord, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Gilchrist, Clough, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Holmes Murdock, Otterson, Emerson, Crane, Sargent of Northfield, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Greer, Adams, of Hancock, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Brown of Hudson, Cilley, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Lord of Manchester, Norton, Burman, Cavanaugh, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Merrill, Johnston, Pierce of Manchester, Rainford, Streeter, Richard of Manchester, Chevrette, Smith of Manchester, Allen of Manchester, Dobbie, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Hecker, Gagnon, Gauthier, Young of Merrimack, Lovejoy of Milford, McIntire of Milford, Ordway, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Winslow, Avard, Jackman of Nashua, Foisie, Morse of Nashua, Hooper, Walker, Frost of Pelham, Derby, Nichols, Peaslee of Weare.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Pierce of Dublin, Wilder, Donahue, Mower, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Fay, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Sawtell, Lane, Wells, Whitman, Barney of Winchester, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Davidson, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Nelson, Lovejoy of Lempster, Dodge, of Newport, Kendall, Newell, Philbrick, Osborne, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Kelley of Canaan, Jackman of Enfield, Rudd, Pariso, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Allen of Haverhill, Carr, Davison, Haskell of Holderness, Liscomb, Messenger, Ross, Sara, Fogg, Batchelder, Price, Hunkins, Pushee, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.—Curtis, Oleson, Hill, Cass of Columbia, Simonds, Hamlin, Bedell, Forbes, Grannis, Long, Cole of Milan, Christopher, Marshall, Rix, Kimball of Stratford.

And the motion to substitute did not prevail.

The question being on the amendments submitted by the committee.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendments were adopted.

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester offered the following amendment.

Amend Section 2 of said bill by adding at the end thereof the following:

"No member of the present board of mayor and aldermen shall be appointed to the board of commissioners."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester moved that the rules be suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Putnam.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Putnam withdrew his motion.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the first reading of bills by their titles made in order.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally

introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 127, An act abolishing the municipal court of Nashua as created by the Laws of 1915, Chapter 30, and establishing a new police court in Nashua. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 128, An act for the suprevision and regulation of rates for workmen's compensation insurance. To the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 129, An act in relation to the guaranty fund of the guaranty fund surplus of guaranty savings banks. To the committee on Banks.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 130, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes in relation to the expenses of savings banks. To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Pridham of Newcastle, House Bill No. 131, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Newcastle to exceed its limit of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rudd of Franconia, House Bill No. 132, An act to close to all fishing certain brooks and streams. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Howes of Manchester, House Bill No. 133, An act to authorize and empower the city of Manchester to adopt a council-manager form of government. To the special committee consiting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the clerk was instructed to procure 500 extra copies of the above bill.

By Mr. Barrett of Dover, House Bill No. 134, An act to amend the charter of the city of Dover.

On motion of Mr. Shackford of Dover the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Dover.

By Mr. Phelps fo Conway, House Bill No. 135, An act requiring applicants for registration of motor vehicles to file bonds. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Brown of Concord, House Bill No. 136, An act increasing the penalty for certain crimes under certain contingencies. To the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 11.25 o'clock the House took a recess for 1 hour and 30 minutes.

(After recess.)

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of a resolution from the Committee on Rules of the House and Senate.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Joint Rules offered the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring: that Joint Rule No. 8 be amended by striking out the entire paragraph and substituting therefor the following:

8. Every bill or joint resolution, repealing or modifying any act or statute, shall refer to the same by the section and chapter of the Public Statutes, if such act or statute is contained therein, otherwise by its section and chapter and the session of the legislature when the same was passed; such bill or joint resolution shall also be expressed in words clearly with full reference to all amendments in sequence, so that it shall not be necessary to refer to any other act or statute to ascertain the meaning thereof. The title of every bill or joint resolution shall indicate, in brief and comprehensive form, the subject-matter contained in the bill or joint resolution. It shall be the duty of the presiding officer of each branch of the legislature to require all such bills or resolutions to be made in conformity with this rule, before putting any vote thereon, except to commit or amend.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

The introduction of bills and joint resolutions was resumed.

The following bills and joint resolutions were severally introduced, read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred as follows:

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 137, An act relating to foreign insurance companies; their relation to brokers. To the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Bartlett of Franklin, House Bill No. 138, An act to regulate business and sports on the first day of the week commonly called the Lord's day. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Gilchrist of Franklin, House Bill No. 139, An act for the assessment of poll taxes. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bridgman of Hanover, House Bill No. 140, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the registration of motor vehicles. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Sawyer of Atkinson, House Bill No. 141, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 248 of the Public Statutes regarding the proceedings of justices of the peace. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Normandin of Laconia, House Bill No. 142, An act in amendment of Chapter 140 of the Public Statutes relating to mortgages of personal property. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Amsden of Concord, House Bill No. 143, An act relating to expert medical and surgical testimony. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Chase of Warner, House Bill No. 144, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Merrimack county.

On motion of Mr. Otis of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Merrimack.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 145, An act to change the name of Mosquito pond in Manchester. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Flint of Plymouth, House Bill No. 146, An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 18 of the session Laws of 1909 entitled "An act to provide for the recording of sales of real estate for taxes." To the Committee on Revison of the Statutes.

By Mr. Davis of Derry, House Bill No. 147, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of the Spanish War Veterans and American Legion. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Cavanaugh of Manchester, House Bill No. 148, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 68 of the Laws of 1903 relating to exemption of certain disabled soldiers and sailors from paying a poll tax. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Davis of Derry, House Bill No. 149, An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 116 of the Laws of 1901, relating to the support of town paupers. To the Committee on the Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Norton of Manchester, House Bill No. 150, An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to the burial of certain soldiers and sailors. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Norton of Manchester, House Bill No. 151, An act relative to payments to employees for personal injuries received in the course of their employment. To the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Norton of Manchester the clerk was instructed to procure 200 additional copies of the above bill.

By Mr. Deal of Piermont, House Bill No. 152, An act to repeal Chapter 302 of the Session Laws of 1887 and annexing the homestead farm of George H. Stevens to the town of Piermont for school purposes. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Morey of Hart's Location, House Bill No. 153, An act to increase the bounty on wild cats. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Harris of Orford, House Joint Resolution No. 31, Joint resolution to reimburse the town of Orford for damage to Connecticut River bridge caused by auto truck of State

Highway Department. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

(Mr. Childs of Hillsborough in the chair.)

By Mr. Kelley of Canaan, House Bill No. 154, An act to amend Section 14 (a), Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the session Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Barrett of Dover, House Bill No. 155, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to a tax on legacies and successions. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Bates of Pembroke, House Bill No. 156, An act to exempt from taxation the home of the John J. Maguire Post No. 28, American Legion of Pembroke. To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Pushee of Lyme, House Bill No. 157, An act to amend Chapter 51, Section 2 of the Public Statutes relating to cemeteries as amended by Chapter 47, Section 1 of the session Laws of 1903 and by Chapter 105, Section 1 of the session Laws of 1915. To the Committee on Revision of Statutes.

By Mr. Howes of Manchester, House Bill No. 158, An act in amendment of Chapter 57 of the Laws of 1919, relating to partnership and business name registration. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Cilley of Manchester, House Bill No. 159, An act in amendment of the Laws of 1915, Chapter 133 as amended by the Laws of 1917, and 1919, entitled,"An act to revise and amend the fish and game laws, relating to the taking of pheasants." To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Cilley of Manchester, House Bill No. 160, An act in amendment Laws of 1915, Chapter 133, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, entitled "An act to revise and amend the fish and game laws relating to the killing of deer in Hillsborough county. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Holmes of Henniker, House Bill No. 161, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Baboosic road in Manchester to the junction with the Central road in Bradford. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Sawyer of Atkinson, House Bill No. 162, An act to provide for a continuous state highway from a point in the Rockingham state highway in Derry to a point in the state highway in Atkinson. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Rix of Shelburne, House Bill No. 163, An act to establish a continuous highway from the east side road in Gorham through Shelburne to the main state line at Gilead. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Normandin of Laconia, House Bill No. 164, An act to amend Chapter 157, Section 15 of the Public Statutes of New Hampshire relating to title of railroads by adverse possession. To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Danforth of Concord, House Bill No. 165, An act relating to the valuation of bonds and other securities held by life insurance companies, assessment life associations and fraternal beneficiary associations. To the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Etsler of Claremont, House Bill No. 166, An act to repeal Chapter 272 of the Laws of 1919 and to reenact the provisions of the charter of Ashley's ferry thereby stricken out. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Straw of Hopkinton, House Bill No. 167, An act in relation to trustees of cemetery funds in towns. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Quimby of Claremont, House Bill No. 168, An act to regulate the use of bill boards and exhibition of moving pictures. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Appelman of Manchester, House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers. To the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

By Mr. Etsler of Claremont, House Bill No. 170, An act

in amendment of Section 10, Chapter 30, Laws of 1915 relating to the salary of the judges of the municipal courts. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Randall of Hampstead, House Bill No. 171, An act to improve the fishing in Island pond, in the towns of Hampstead and Derry; Wash pond, in the town of Hampstead; and Angle pond in the towns of Hampstead and Sandown. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Hecker of Manchester, House Bill No. 172, An act to regulate the hours of work for women and minors under eighteen years of age in manufacturing establishments. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Pierce of Manchester, House Bill No. 173, An act to establish the price of gas in the city of Manchester. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hecker of Manchester, House Bill No. 174, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 9, Laws of 1905, relating to the appointment of bail commissioners. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Kittredge of Mont Vernon, House Bill No. 175, An act to exempt certain farm improvements from taxation. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Clough of Franklin, House Bill No. 176, An act to establish a licensing system for engineers and firemen of steam engines and boilers. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Leahy of Manchester, House Bill No. 177, An act to provide for the licensing of stationary firemen and engineers. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 178, An act relating to insurance companies. To the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Angell of Derry, House Bill No. 179, An act relative to jails for the counties at the county farms and appointment of jailers therefor, in place of present county jails. To the Committee on County Affairs.

By Mr. Knapp of Danbury, House Bill No. 180, An act

referring to taxation of the Danbury Light and Power Company. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ordway of Milford, House Bill No. 181, An act in relation to assignment of life insurance policies. To the Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Angell of Derry, House Bill No. 182, An act relating to advertising quack medicines. To the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, House Bill No. 183, An act in amendment of Chapter 190, Laws of 1917 relating to surveyors of lumber. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 184, An act to amend an act of the legislature of the session of 1889 entitled "An act to incorporate the Nashua Trust Company," and amendments thereto. To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 185, An act to incorporate the Mary E. Hunt Home for Aged Women. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 186, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 187 of the session Laws passed January session 1895, entitled "An act to incorporate the John M. Hunt Home." To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Otis of Concord, House Bill No. 187, An act relating to the duties of supervisors of the check-list. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Eaton of Hillsborough, House Bill No. 188, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1893, relating to the liability of towns. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 189, An act providing for inspection and licensing of hotels and restaurants. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 190, An act concerning the taking of depositions in our state to be used in any foreign jurisdiction. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Smith of Seabrook, House Joint Resolution No. 32, Joint resolution for the purchase of a right of way of the Seabrook and Hampton Beach Street Railway Company. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Cole of Salem, House Joint Resolution No. 33, Joint resolution in relation to the gift of Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury to the State of New Hampshire for certain purposes. To the Committee on Forestry.

By Mr. Hunt of Derry, House Joint Resolution No. 35, Joint resolution in favor of Mrs. Nancy A. Clark of Derry. To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Perkins of Freedom, House Joint Resolution No. 36, Joint resolution to assist the town of Freedom in the erection of a permanent bridge in the town of Freedom. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Davis of Derry, House Joint Resolution No. 37, Joint resolution providing for permanent headquarters in the State House for the state of New Hampshire Department of the American Legion. To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Joint Resolution No. 38, Joint resolution providing for the erection of a dormitory at the Keene Normal school. To the Committee on Normal Schools.

By Mr. Harris of Orford, House Resolution No. 39, Joint resolution for the permanent improvement of the Baker's Pond road in the town of Orford. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Holmes of Henniker, House Joint Resolution No. 40, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Warner leading from Henniker to Bradford. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Straw of Hopkinton, House Bill No. 191, An act to open Lake Winnipauket to ice fishing. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

(The Speaker in the chair.)

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 192, An act concerning the proof of statutes of other jurisdictions and to make uniform the law with reference thereto. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 193, An act relating to the conservation of New Hampshire water power. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 194, An act to provide safety exit facilities for school houses. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for naming of highways. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 196, An act relating to the abolition of divorces in the state of New Hampshire, and repeal of Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Chapter 175 of the Public Statutes. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ely of Pittsfield, House Bill No. 197, An act in relation to the salary of sheriff for Merrimack county.

On motion of Mr. Danforth of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Merrimack.

By Mr. Gorham of Manchester, House Bill No. 198, An act to exempt the Manchester Union Labor Temple Association from taxation. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Otis of Concord, House Bill No. 199, An act imposing a tax upon the transfer at death of the personal property of non-residents. To the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Otis of Concord, House Bill No. 200, An act in amendment of Chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapters 68 and 138, Laws of 1907, Chapter 104, Laws of 1909, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, Chapters 106 and 116, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to the taxation of legacies and successions and in amendment of Chapter 116, Laws of 1915, relating to the duties of the assistant attorney-general. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Joint Resolution No. 41, Joint resolution relating to the expenses of the commissioners on uniform state laws. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Nelson of Goshen, House Joint Resolution No. 42, Joint resolution to assist the town of Goshen in the erection of two bridges. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Childs of Hillsborough, House Joint Resolution No. 43, Joint resolution to provide for cooperation with the United States Geological Survey in the establishment and maintenance of stream flow gaging stations. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Howes of Manchester, House Joint Resolution No. 44, Joint resolution to create a Department of University Extension within the state board of Education. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Otis of Concord, House Joint Resolution No. 45, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Prison. To the Committee on State Prison.

By Mr. Fairbanks of Dover, House Bill No. 201, An act to sever the homestead farm of the late Charles C. Hayes from Rollinsford and annex the same to Dover for school purposes. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough, House Bill No. 202, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the office of Attorney-General. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Willey of Durham, House Bill No. 203, An act to transfer the school tax upon certain real estate from the town of Newmarket back to the town of Durham. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Yeaton of Rollinsford, House Bill No. 204, An act to sever the homestead farm of Harry Wilson from Dover and annex the same to Rollinsford for school purposes. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Tuttle of Farmington, House Bill No. 205, An act to amend Section 32, sub-division (b) of the Fish and

Game Laws of 1919-1920, relating to the taking and possession of pickerel. To the Committee on Fisheries and game.

By Mr. Lord of Manchester, House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants. To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Greer of Goffstown, House Bill No. 207, An act to sever the homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist from the Grasmere village precinct and annex the same to the Goffstown village precinct for school purposes. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Davis of Derry, House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes relating to diseases of domestic animals. To the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Kelly of Concord, House Bill No. 209, An act to repeal certain war-time legislation. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Danforth of Concord, House Bill No. 210, An act in amendment of Chapter 163 of the Laws of 1911 in relation to employers liability and workmen's compensation. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Garneau of Franklin, House Bill No. 211, An act in amendment of Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes in relation to disturbances on the Lord's day. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Wentworth of Dover, House Bill No. 212, An act prohibiting the use of stalls or enclosures in restaurants and other places where food is sold to the public to be consumed upon the premises, in cities. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Jameson of Portsmouth, House Bill No. 213, An act to amend an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge, No. 1 of Portsmouth, N. H., enacted by the legislature of the state of New Hampshire, June 22, 1821. To the Committee on Incorporations.

By Mr. Tuck of Concord, House Bill No. 214, An act to provide for the weekly payment of all state employes except salaried officers. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 215, An act in amendment of Chapter 10 and of Chapter 107 of the Public Statutes, relative to the commission of lunacy. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Gordon of New Hampton, House Bill No. 216, An act to provide for better protection from accidents resulting from operation of motor vehicles. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Gordon of New Hampton, House Bill No. 217, An act to reimburse the town of New Hampton for such loss or losses as have been sustained by said town by reason of the state having acquired for fish and game culture Dickerman brook and adjacent property in said town. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 218, An act in amendment of Chapter 92 of the Laws of 1919 relating to business corporations. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 219, An act in amendment of Section 13 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911 relating to public utilities. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Davison of Haverhill, House Bill No. 220, An act in amendment of Section 9 of Chapter 234 of the Public Statutes relating to executions against towns and districts. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 221, An act relating to the erection of reservoir dams. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 222, An act relating to the erection of dams to raise or regulate the level of public waters. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 223, An act in regard to length of brook trout and limit taken. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 224, An act in regard to hunting licenses. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 225, An act

to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Reynolds of Dover, House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden incident to the trial of State *v.* him for manslaughter.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds of Dover the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Strafford.

By Mr. Reynolds of Dover, House Bill No. 227, An act in regard to salaries of wardens. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Reynolds of Dover, House Bill No. 228, An act in regard to rating of wardens. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Pelletier of Nashua, House Bill No. 229, An act providing for full crews on certain frieght trains. To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, House Joint Resolution No. 46, Joint resolution providing for a special commission to make recommendations to the Legislature of 1923 relating to dangerous grade crossings. To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Joint Resolution No. 47, Joint resolution providing for an appropriate celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of New Hampshire. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Spaulding of Lyndeborough, House Bill No. 230, An act in amendment of Chapter 70 of the Laws of 1919, in relation to domestic animals. To the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Clow of Wolfeboro, House Bill No. 231, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. King of Walpole, House Bill No. 232, An act in

relation to the regulation of auctions and auctioneers. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. King of Walpole, House Bill No. 233, An act in regulation of the purchase of supplies of public schools. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Collins of Danville, House Bill No. 234, An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of beverages, ice cream and candy. To the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Call of Chichester, House Bill No. 235, An act to amend subdivison (c) Chapter 14 of the session Laws of 1915 as amended by the session Laws of 1917 and 1919 relating to the use of rifle in towns of Chichester, Hooksett and Canterbury. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Shackford of Dover, House Bill No. 236, An act relating to the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Strafford. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Rudd of Franconia, House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake in the town of Franconia. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Earley of Nashua, House Bill No. 238, An act to provide guideboard and traffic signs of uniform and exclusive colors. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Angell of Derry, House Bill No. 239, An act relating to the sale, quality and standards of dairy products. To the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Maynard of Manchester, House Bill No. 240, An act to provide for the licensing of plumbers and to protect the public helath. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Leavitt of Concord, House Bill No. 241, An act in relation to the New Hampshire State Hospital. To the Committee on State Hospital.

By Mr. Cross of Concord, House Bill No. 242, An act providing for the election of certain city officials for the city of Concord.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Concord.

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 243, An act

for the licensing and regulation of motion picture exhibitions. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lamy of Manchester, House Bill No. 244, An act to create a minimum wage commission and to prescribe its powers and duties. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Hodsdon of Portsmouth, House Bill No. 245, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1913 and Chapter 91 of the Laws of 1919 and Chapter 4 of the Special Session of 1919 relating to poll tax. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, House Bill No. 246, An act in relation to Dartmouth college and being an amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 43, Laws of 1893. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McCarthy of Manchester, House Bill No. 247, An act to provide in certain employments a forty-eight hour week for women and minors under eighteen years of age. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Tuck of Concord, House Bill No. 248, An act in amendment of Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes, relating to offenses against morality and religion. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Tuck of Concord the clerk was instructed to procure 1000 extra copies of the above bill.

By Mr. Ravenelle of Nashua, House Bill No. 249, An act regulating the operation of switching engines in yards, and provide for a full crew for same. To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Tuck of Concord, House Bill No. 250, An act in relation to the fish and game laws. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Clow of Wolfeboro, House Joint Resolution No. 48, Joint resolution in favor of the school for feeble minded. To the Committee on the School for Feeble Minded.

By Mr. Brooks of Claremont, House Joint Resolution No. 49, Joint resolution in favor of F. J. Mattoon. To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Andrews of Newton, House Joint Resolution No. 50, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Newton leading from Newton Junction to Highland street in the town of Newton. To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

By Mr. Hecker of Manchester, House Bill No. 251, An act relative to educational lectures and musical concerts of an elevating character. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Leahy of Manchester, House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the Public Works of the city of Manchester. To the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

By Mr. Gorham of Manchester, House Bill No. 253, An act to encourage the building of homes in New Hampshire. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Shackford of Dover, House Bill No. 254, An act relating to unclaimed money, and to repeal Section 22, Chapter 162, of the Public Statutes relating to bank commissioners. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Winslow of Nashua, House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Hunt of Nashua, House Bill No. 256, An act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 249 of the Session Laws of 1919, entitled "An act authorizing the Nashua Manufacturing Company to increase and classify its capital stock." To the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Trapp of Laconia, House Bill No. 257, An act in amendment of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, entitled "An act to establish a public service commission" as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1917. To the Committee on Judiciary.

(Mr. Childs of Hillsborough in the chair.)

By Mr. Trapp of Laconia, House Bill No. 258, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1917 relating to municipal accounts. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Trapp of Laconia, House Bill No. 259, An act in amendment of Chapter 69 of the Laws of 1911 relating to the State Tax Commission. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Trapp of Laconia, House Bill No. 260, An act authorizing the Boston & Maine Railroad further to unify its system by purchasing or merging the Nashua & Acton and Sullivan County railroads and certain subsidiary roads in the state of Vermont. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Cross of Hanover, House Bill No. 261, An act to amend Section 14, (a), Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Gauthier of Manchester, House Bill, No. 262, An act to amend Section 21 of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 78, Laws of 1907, as amended by Chapter 136, Laws of 1919, relating to pay of jurors. To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Bridgman of Hanover, House Bill No. 263, An act relating to the encouragement of the New Hampshire Assessors' Association. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Kimball of Stratford, House Bill No. 264, An act in relation to the deputy secretary of state. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Earley of Nashua, House Bill No. 265, An act to increase the salary of the mayor of the city of Nashua.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua.

By Mr. Pushee of Lyme, House Bill No. 266, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919 relating to public schools and establishing a state board of education. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Lowe of Rochester, House Bill No. 267, An act

to amend Chapter 241 of the Acts of 1891 relating to the city of Rochester. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lowe of Rochester, House Bill No. 268, An act to establish a police commission in the city of Rochester.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Rochester.

By Mr. Lowe of Rochester, House Bill No. 269, An act to amend Chapter 93, Section 1, of the Laws of 1911, relating to bounty on hedgehogs. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Winslow of Nashua, House Bill No. 270, An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, Chapter 224, Laws of 1917 and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating to state aid for highways. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Stone of Andover, House Bill No. 271, An act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 16 of the session Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 118 of the session Laws of 1903, relating to the tuition of high school students. To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen. To the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

By Mr. Tobin of Manchester, House Bill No. 273, An act to revise the charters of all cities in the State of New Hampshire. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wells of Walpole, House Bill No. 274, An act providing for the maintenance of the Tucker bridge in the town of Walpole. To the Committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Putnam of Manchester, House Bill No. 275, An act in amendment of Chapter 282 of the Public Statutes relative to common jails and prisoners therein.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee con-

sisting of the chairmen of the various county delegations.

By Mr. Callahan of Keene, House Bill No. 276, An act to provide for the weekly payment of wages. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Newton of Concord, House Bill No. 277, An act to provide for the weekly payment of wages. To the Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg, House Bill No. 278, An act to amend Section 17, (a), Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game. To the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Winn of Nashua, House Bill No. 279, An act to increase the salary of Deputy Register of Probate of Hillsborough county. To the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Challis of Manchester, House Bill No. 280, An act to regulate the manner of conducting caucuses and elections. To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dodge of Newport, House Bill No. 281, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the Register of Probate in Sullivan county.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Sullivan.

BILL FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 23 in new draft. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord,

Resolved, That the Committee on Revision of the Statutes be requested to ascertain what fees were received by the several Registers of Probate and Registers of Deeds of the state during the biennial period ending Dec. 31, 1920, and that said Committee be requested to report a bill establishing salaries for each Register of Probate and Register of Deeds, providing therein that all fees received by the Regis-

ters of Probate be paid to the State Treasurer and that fees received by the Registers of Deeds be paid into the County Treasuries.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following bill and joint resolution sent up from the House of Representatives.

House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution.

House Bill No. 19, An act relating to the issue of bonds and notes by railroads and public utilities.

The message further announced that the Senate has voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring that Joint Rule No. 8 be amended by striking out the entire paragraph and substituting therefor the following:

8. Every bill or joint resolution, repealing or modifying any act or statute, shall refer to the same by the section and chapter of the Public Statutes, if such act or statute is contained therein, otherwise by its section and chapter and the session of the legislature when the same was passed; such bill or joint resolution shall also be expressed in words clearly with full reference to all amendments in sequence, so that it shall not be necessary to refer to any other act or statute to ascertain the meaning thereof. The title of every bill or joint resolution shall indicate, in brief and comprehensive form, the subject-matter contained in the bill or joint resolution. It shall be the duty of the presiding officer of each branch of the legislature to require all such bills or resolutions to be made in conformity with this rule, before putting any vote thereon, except to commit or amend.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed

the following bills, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 2, An act in amendment of the charter of the Whitefield village fire district.

Senate Bill No. 3, An act to change the name of Montgomery lake in the town of Whitefield to Burns lake.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 2, An act in amendment of the charter of the Whitefield village fire district.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 3, An act to change the name of Montgomery lake in the town of Whitefield to Burns lake.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

(The Speaker in the chair.)

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 5.27 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 42, An act to annex certain land to Union School district number one. Tilton.

House Bill No. 61, An act to authorize the High School district of Lebanon to issue bonds.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 39, An act to establish a Department of Highways for the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time by its title. The bill was then passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord:—

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall be granted the New Hampshire Good Roads Association for a public meeting on Wednesday, January 26 at 3.10 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Bemis of Marlborough at 5.34 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Dane of Groton and Abbot of Wilton were granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of important business.

Mr. Brown of Concord was granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Rainford of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Palmer of Tuftonboro was granted leave of absence for January 27 and February 1 on account of important business.

PETITION PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Piper of Meredith, Petition of members of the First Baptist Church of Meredith opposing the enactment of any Sabbath legislation.

To the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Piper of Meredith, Petition of members of the First Baptist Church of Meredith protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 124.

To the Committee on Liquor Laws.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following resolution:

House Joint Resolution No. 4, Joint resolution providing for the payment of the expenses of the convention to revise the constitution.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 52, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 77, Laws of 1909, authorizing towns to raise money for patriotic observances, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said act by substituting for the same the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 1, of Chapter 77, Laws of 1909, by inserting after the word "towns" in line one the words "and city councils," and by striking out the word "one" in line three and inserting in place thereof the word "five," and by inserting after the word "providing" in line four the words "for municipal Christmas trees or," so that said section shall read: "SECTION 1. Towns and city councils may at any legal meeting grant and vote such sums of money as they shall judge necessary, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for providing municipal Christmas trees or for public patriotic exercises for Memorial day, Independence day, or other holidays."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 24, An act to authorize school district of the town of Newington to exceed its limit of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill in its new draft read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 47, An act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of Contoocook Valley Paper Company, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 65, An act to amend Chapter 30, of the Public Statutes relating to annual reports of county officers, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 98, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919 in relation to the New Hampshire Law reports, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 25, An act in regard to the exemption from taxation of the Portsmouth Historical Society, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 45, An act relating to the manner of balloting, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 12, An act in amendment of Chapter 228 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the rate of interest to be charged on loans by licensees under said act, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

ORDERS VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the order whereby House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell was referred to the Committee on Claims was vacated and the bill referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the order whereby House Bill No. 114, An act in amendment of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the sale of securities was referred to the Committee on Insurance was vacated and the bill referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

CHANGE IN COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT.

The speaker announced that Mr. Mooney, of Littleton had resigned as a member of the Committee on Engrossed Bills and that Mr. Blue of Conway had been appointed in his stead.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, at 11.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the

House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 39, An act to establish a Department of Highways for the city of Manchester.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 65, An act to amend Chapter 30 of the Public Statutes relating to annual reports of county officers.

House Bill No. 47, An act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of Contoocook Valley Paper Company.

House Bill No. 24, An act to authorize school district of the town of Newington to exceed its limit of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 52, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 77, Laws of 1909, authorizing towns to raise money for patriotic observances.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.13 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Kilton of Bedford was granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Messrs. Fogg of Lincoln, Willey of Durham and Ball of Washington were granted leave of absence for next Tuesday on account of important business.

Messrs. Cole of Milan and Page of Gilmanton were granted leave of absence for next week on account of town business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Lane of Swanzey, Petition of Baptist Church of Lebanon protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 124.

By Mr. Lane of Swanzey, Petition of citizens of Hanover protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 124.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 73, An act to confirm the action of town meeting in Hampton on December 20, 1920, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Scott of Deerfield, for the Committee on Agriculture to whom was referred House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Abbot of Wilton offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out all of Section 3.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Abbot offered the following amendment:

Further amend said bill by renumbering Section 4, Section 3.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading

Mr. Callahan of Keene for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Cheshire, to whom was referred House Bill No. 33, An act authorizing Cheshire county to defray hospital expenses of John H. Allen, re-

ported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Strike out the words "in a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars, a bill," in lines 3 and 4, and inserting in place thereof the words "such sum as they consider just," so that said section shall read as follows: "SECT. 1. That the presiding justice of the superior court for Cheshire County be authorized to approve, and the County Commissioners of said county be authorized to pay, such sum as they consider just for medical and hospital attendance and service and other expenses incurred by John H. Allen of Alstead which expenses are the result of a bullet wound inflicted upon him while in the discharge of his duty as constable, by Edward J. Patnode of Alstead on March 25, 1919."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Callahan of Keene for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Cheshire to whom was referred House Bill No. 1, An act to regulate the salary of the solicitor for Cheshire county, reported the same with the following resolution.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester the rules were suspended and business in order this afternoon made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 73, An act to confirm the action of town meeting in Hampton on December 20, 1920.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time.

Read a third time and passed.

House Bill No. 33, An act authorizing Cheshire county to defray hospital expenses of John H. Allen.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker announced that he had been presented a gavel made from the wood of a black walnut tree in Kingston which had been brought from Philadelphia and planted by Josiah Bartlett, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday night at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester at 11.40 o'clock the House took a recess for 1 hour and 20 minutes.

(After recess.)

(Mr. Childs of Hillsborough in the chair.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bill:

House Bill No. 39, An act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester.

The report was accepted.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. Callahan of Keene moved that the House reconsider its vote whereby it passed House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time, and with this motion pending moved that the bill and the pending motion be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, February 2, at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter at 1.05 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., JANUARY 28, 1921.

Mr. Joseph B. Murdock,
Hill, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully.
FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 9.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Barnstead at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

His Excellency, the Governor, laid before the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, the following message:

Senators and Members of the House of Representatives:

There is transmitted herewith a letter from a committee of the New Hampshire Bar Association by the pen of its chairman, the Honorable Edgar Aldrich. It is suggested

therein, that the state pay a modest tribute to the memory of her most distinguished son by designating one of her trunk line roads, as the Daniel Webster Highway.

Mr. Webster was trained in our schools, achieved professional prominence in our courts, and represented the people of our first congressional district in the national House of Representatives. After removing to Massachusetts, at the age of thirty-four, and after his fame had filled the world, he continued to hold this state in affectionate regard, while to the end of life, the dearest spot on earth to him was the immediate and incomparable region of his birth.

His splendid public services, relating chiefly to the federal constitution, the national boundary lines, and the commerce on the ocean, benefited not one state, but all, and none more definitely than New Hampshire. In the light of all these facts, it may be said with truth that, in an especial degree, his reputation and his fame belong to us. It is, therefore, proper that we honor his memory by assigning his name to that great central avenue of travel over which there comes every year a multitude of people, representing all the states of the union and most of the nations of the world.

This matter is committed to your careful consideration.

ALBERT O. BROWN,
Governor.

United States Court, Littleton, N.H.
January 25, 1921.

To His Excellency, Governor Brown,
Concord, New Hampshire.

DEAR GOVERNOR:

The New Hampshire Bar Association, at its last annual meeting, passed a resolution in the following words:

"*Resolved,* by the Bar Association of New Hampshire, at its annual session at Newcastle by the Sea, June 26, 1920, that its President be authorized and requested to appoint a committee of fifteen to make it known to the Governor of the state that it is the sense of this association that, as a

tribute to a son of New Hampshire,—and to the most famous expounder of the Federal Constitution,—that one of the main boulevards from the Massachusetts line to the northern boundary of New Hampshire, or as far northerly as may be deemed most appropriate, be statutorily designated, and properly marked, as the "Daniel Webster Highway"; and that the question of doing it be submitted to the General Court at its next session."

In pursuance of this resolution, Mr. Joseph Madden, the President of the Association, has created a committee in the words following:

Judge Edgar Aldrich of Littleton, Chairman,
Ex-Governor John H. Bartlett of Portsmouth,
Judge George H. Bingham of Manchester,
President Ernest Hopkins, of Hanover,
General Frank S. Streeter of Concord,
Honorable Merrill Shurtleff of Lancaster,
Honorable William J. Britton of Wolfboro,
Honorable Roy M. Pickard of Keene,
Honorable Hosea W. Parker of Claremont,
Honorable A. W. Sulloway of Franklin,
Honorable Dwight Hall of Dover,
Honorable Orton B. Brown of Berlin,
Honorable Oscar L. Young of Laconia,
Honorable Raymond B. Stevens of Landaff,
Honorable J. J. Doyle of Nashua.

I am requested and instructed by the committee to call your attention to the action of the Bar Association.

In communicating to you this action which contemplates that the question be submitted to the Legislature, the Committee begs leave to commend favorable consideration of the proposition to name one of the New Hampshire roads the "Daniel Webster Highway."

The idea of doing this was very deep in the heart of the late Senator Chandler, to whom New Hampshire owes much. In a letter to the writer,—which was probably the last he ever wrote with his own hand,—Mr. Chandler en-

joined that this appropriate thing should not be lost sight of by New Hampshire.

We desire to urge that the plan be carried out.

Daniel Webster's renown, in a large sense, belongs to New Hampshire. The people of the country, naturally enough, associate him and his fame with Massachusetts, and he has come to be generally known as a Massachusetts man. Here is an opportunity to identify him with New Hampshire in a way which will operate on lines of popular education.

The authoritative designation—the markings—the automobile books and maps, will rightfully make it known to the vast number of people from the various parts of the country who motor through our valleys and among our hills —and to the world—that Daniel Webster was a New Hampshire man, and that will go to the honor of the state. Beyond this, it will be a great tribute to one who loved outdoor life,—the rivers,—the streams, and the lakes,—to one who believed in broad highways, and who looked forward to his journeys from his Massachusetts home at Marshfield by the Sea, to his birthplace in Salisbury, New Hampshire, and to one who always worshipped the New Hampshire mountains as he journeyed north.

In order that New Hampshire men and women of today may know of Daniel Webster's lofty and sublime appreciation of his New Hampshire birthplace, and of his devout and lasting attachment to his humble birthrights, your committee, perhaps, will be pardoned for quoting a passage from his famous speech at the great Saratoga mass meeting in 1840, in what was known as the Log Cabin Campaign of General Harrison, in which General Harrison's opponents sought to taunt and discredit him by reference to his humble log cabin birthplace. Here is Daniel Webster's characterization of the taunt:

"A man who is not ashamed of himself need not be ashamed of his early condition."

Gentlemen, it did not happen to me to be born in a log cabin; but my elder brothers and sisters were born in a log cabin, raised amid the snow-drifts of New Hampshire, at a

period so early that, when the smoke first rose from its rude chimney, and curled over the frozen hills, there was no similar evidence of a white man's habitation between it and the settlements on the rivers of Canada. It remains still exist. I make to it an annual visit. I carry my children to it, to teach them the hardships endured by the generations which have gone before them. I love to dwell on the tender recollections, the kindred ties, the early affections, and the touching narratives and incidents, which mingle with all I know of this primitive family abode. I weep to think that none of those who inhabited it are now among the living; and if ever I am ashamed of it, or if I ever fail in affectionate veneration for him who reared it, and defended it against savage violence and destruction, cherished all the domestic virtues beneath its roof, and, through the fire and blood of a seven years' revolutionary war, shrunk from no danger, no toil, no sacrifice, to serve his country and to raise his children to a condition better than his own, may my name and the name of my posterity be blotted forever from the memory of mankind.

We think it should be "Highway," not "Boulevard." The "broad highway" was a favorite expression of Webster.

It must be remembered that they have named the motor road from New Orleans to Winnipeg the "Thomas Jefferson Highway." This was a fine thing to do, because it is all the way from New Orleans to the boundary line within the Louisiana purchase which Jefferson negotiated,—a purchase which greatly inured to the nation's strength and renown. In Pennsylvania they have the "William Penn Highway"; across the continent, we have the "Lincoln Highway"; from Portland, Oregon, to Portland, Maine, there is the "Roosevelt Highway" which crosses northern New Hampshire.

Daniel Webster, more than any other man, laid the foundation for the Union argument, which made it possible to successfully carry forward the Civil War. He was not only the most famous orator and statesman of his generation, but among the most famous of all time. His closing words

in the United States Senate in reply to Senator Hayne of South Carolina, standing alone, would render his name immortal—"Liberty and Union, now and forever, one and inseparable!"

We think it highly appropriate that Daniel Webster's name should attach to the leading highway from the Massachusetts border to a point as near the northern boundary of New Hampshire, which was established by the Webster-Ashburton Treaty, as the state road goes. And we think it should be dignified by as straight a course as is geographically practicable. We should be very sorry to see any minor questions of locality operate against this idea.

To make it a just tribute to Webster, it should be under state authority, and the logic of the situation, would seem to require that it should start from the Massachusetts boundary and pass through Nashua, Manchester, Pembroke, Concord, and Boscawen,—a route over which he travelled for so many years,—and which would carry the designated road as near the birthplace as the highway goes; thence through Franklin, Tilton, Laconia, Meredith, Plymouth and near the little court house where it is said he made his first argument to a jury; thence northerly through Woodstock, through the Franconia Notch, and under the eye of the stately Old Man of the Mountain; thence to Carroll, Whitefield, Lancaster, Stratford, Colebrook, and as far north as the state road goes towards the boundary which Webster established.

It will be a long day before New Hampshire or the world will have another Daniel Webster.

It will be seen that this project does not carry the idea of any new highway, or of an appropriation. New Hampshire will honor herself and the name of her greatest son by authoritatively attaching his name to her broadest avenue of modern travel.

Respectfully submitted,
EDGAR ALDRICH,
Chairman of the Committee.

The message was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Cavanaugh and Allen of Manchester, and Brown of Concord were granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

Mr. Stone of Stark, was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Piper of Meredith, was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Davenport of Londonderry, Petition of members of the Presbyterian Church of Londonderry protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Kendall of Newport, Petition of citizens of Newport protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Berry of Barnstead, Petition of H. E. Little and 34 other citizens of Barnstead, protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 124.

Presented and referred to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Murdock of Hill, for the Committee on National Affairs, to whom was referred House Bill No. 13, An act relating to the State Seal and the State Flag, reported the same in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time, and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary. to whom was referred House Bill No. 63, An act amending Section 10 of Chapter 141 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Laws of 1905 and by Chapter 93 of the Laws of 1913, relating to liens of mechanics and others, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said act by striking out the word "artesian" wherever the same appears therein; so that said act as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 10 of Chapter 141 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Laws of 1905 and by Chapter 93 of the Laws of 1913, by adding after the word "sluiceway" wherever it occurs, the word "well," so that said Section 10 of said Chapter 141 as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 10. If any person shall, by himself or others, perform labor or furnish materials to the amount of fifteen dollars or more for erecting or repairing a house or other building or appurtenances, or for building any dam, canal, sluiceway, well or bridge, other than for a municipality, by virtue of a contract with the owner thereof, he shall have a lien on any materials so furnished and on said house or other building or appurtenances, or dam, canal, sluiceway, well or bridge, and on any right of the owner of the lot of land on which the house, building or appurtenances, or dam, canal, sluiceway, well or bridge stands.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 119, An act in regard to disposition of records of the state treasurer, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the words "such action being in accordance with" in the second and third lines thereof, and substituting therefor the words "at the end of seven years from the time of filing as provided in"; so that said action as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The state treasurer is hereby authorized to destroy documents and papers filed in his office at the end of seven years from the time of filing as provided in Section 2 of this act.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 7, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Stratford, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by adding after the words "March 9th, 1920" the following: "including all votes relating to the issue of seventy thousand dollars ($70,000) of water bonds"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. All acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Stratford, held March 9th, 1920, including all votes relating to the issue of seventy thousand dollars ($70,000) of water bonds, are hereby ratified, legalized and confirmed.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 26, An act to legalize the proceedings of a school meeting of the School District of the town of Greenland, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution to assist the town of Richmond in paying a part of the expense for damages incurred by severe storm in August, 1920, reported the same with the following amendment and the recommendation that the joint resolution, as amended ought to pass.

Amend joint resolution by striking out the word "seven" in the first line thereof, and by inserting in place therefor, the word "four," so that said joint resolution shall read as follows:

That the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to assist the town of Richmond

in paying part of the expense for damages incurred in August, 1920, by a storm of unprecedented severity, accompanied by a cloud-burst of rain, destroying beyond repair many parts of the highway in said town and carrying away several bridges and doing other damage to many of the highways in said town. The damage and loss sustained by said town of Richmond has amounted to more than twenty thousand dollars. The sum appropriated by the state shall be a charge upon any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Bill No. 44, An act to establish a continuous highway from the west side road in the town of Carroll to the Gorham Hill Road in the town of Randolph, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 122, An act to authorize unordained ministers to solemnize marriages, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 125, An act authorizing the appointment of highway patrols, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 1, A joint resolution for the repair and main-

tenance of a breakwater in the town of North Hampton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the clerk of the House be authorized to combine the journals for Friday and Monday in one issue.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester at 11.47 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 7, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Stratford.

House Bill No. 26, An act to legalize the proceedings of a school meeting of the school district of the town of Greenland.

House Bill No. 63, An act amending Section 10 of Chapter 141 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Laws of 1905 and by Chapter 93 of the Laws of 1913 relating to liens of mechanics and others.

House Bill No. 119, An act in regard to disposition of records of the state treasurer.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock,—

Resolved, That the use of Representatives' Hall be granted to the Forestry Department for Wednesday evening, February 9, at 8 o'clock, when all members of the Legislature are cordially invited to attend a motion picture exhibition on forestry particularly relating to New Hampshire.

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth,—

Resolved, That the orders whereby House Bill No. 105, An act in amendment of Section 5, Chapter 183, Laws of 1911 to provide medical treatment for the victims of Industrial Accidents, House Bill No. 110, An act amending subsection (b) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities, House Bill No. 111, An act in amendment of sub-sections (c) and (e) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the issue of stock of public utility corporations, House Bill No. 118, An act in amendment of Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1905, entitled "An act to amend Chapter 16, of the Public Statutes," and House Bill No. 155, An act in amendment of Chapter 37 Laws of 1919, relating to a tax on legacies and successions, were referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes be rescinded and the said bills referred to the Committee on Judiciary: that the order whereby House Bill No. 139, An act for the assessment of poll taxes, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary be rescinded and the said bill be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of a report from a committee.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 282, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals from commissioners, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Concord, the clerk was instructed to procure additional copies of House Bill No. 243, An act for the licensing and regulation of motion picture exhibitions.

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth, the report of the special committee appointed to consider changes in the Sunday law was taken from the table.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report was referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Meader of Rochester moved that the order whereby House Bill No. 267, An act to amend Chapter 241 of the Laws of 1891, relating to the city of Rochester was referred to the Committee on Judiciary be vacated and the bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Rochester.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Meader.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Meader withdrew his motion.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that: the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 40, An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of Public Taxes.

House Joint Resolution No. 11, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward and others.

House Bill No. 42, An act to annex certain land to Union School District No. 1, Tilton.

House Bill No. 61, An act to authorize the High School district of Lebanon, to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 73, An act to confirm the action of town meeting in Hampton on December 20, 1920.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester at 3.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Mullen of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Preston of Strafford was granted leave of absence for Thursday on account of important business.

Mr. Leavitt of Effingham was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Brown of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Nelson of Goshen, Petition of citizens of Goshen protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Piper of Meredith, Petition of members of Advent Christian Church of Meredith protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Greer of Goffstown, Petition of members of churches of Goffstown, protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 124.

Presented and referred to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bill and joint resolution:

House Bill No. 40, An act to establish a new apportionment for the assessment of public taxes.

House Joint Resolution No. 11, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward and others.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Daniell of Greenland for the Committee on Agricultural College to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 19, A joint resolution in favor of New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committeé on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Tuck of Concord for the Committee on Labor to whom was referred House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Section 12, Chapter 183, Laws of 1917 to provide for factory inspectors, one of whom shall be a woman, reported the same in a new draft and with a new title and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 and amendments thereto, and enacting a motor vehicle law, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to said committee.

The report was accepted and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 284, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907, relating to the conveyance of standing trees, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to said committee.

The report was accepted and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 9, An act in amendment of Section 27 of Chapter 266 of the Public Statutes, relative to advertisements in public places, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 68, An act in amendment of Chapter 266 of the Public Statutes, relating to trespass in fruiting season, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 57, An act in amendment of Section 11 of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes, relating to exemption from taxation of manufacturing establishments by towns reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 21, An act to establish a state highway commission, reported the same, with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 76, An act repealing Chapter 103, Laws of 1915 and creating a State Highway Board, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House Bill No. 109, An act in amendment of Section 12, Chapter 183, Laws of 1917, to provide a woman factory inspector, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject-matter being covered by another bill favorably reported by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 23 (in new draft), An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company.

House Bill No. 58 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Laws of 1907 and Section 1 of Chapter 54 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the Civil War and their wives and widows.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

ADDRESS BY JUDGE ALDRICH.

Mr. Ahern of Concord asked unanimous consent that Hon. Edgar Aldrich, Judge of the United States District Court be invited to address the House.

Unanimous consent was given and Judge Aldrich briefly addressed the House.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Callahan of Keene called for the special order.

House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time.

The question being,
Shall the vote whereby the bill passed be reconsidered?

(Discussion ensued.)

POINT OF ORDER.

Mr. Abbot of Wilton raised the point of order that the bill as amended and passed permanently established eastern standard time by Section 2 of the bill and that the remarks of the gentleman speaking were not germane to the question.

The Speaker ruled the point of order not well taken.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Kelley of Canaan moved the previous question.
The motion was seconded by the required number.
The question being,
Shall the main question now be put?
On a *viva voce* the previous question was ordered.
The question being,
Shall the vote whereby the bill passed be reconsidered?
On a *viva voce* the affirmative prevailed.
The question being,
Shall the bill pass?

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene, the bill was put back upon its second reading for purposes of amendment. Mr. Callahan offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by inserting a new section to be known as Section 3:

SECT. 3. No common carrier engaged in commerce within this state or between this state and any other state or territory shall change or be permitted to change its time schedules for the movement of trains within the state in order to accommodate itself to conditions outside the state arising by reason of the adoption of any other standard of time by any other state.

The question being on the amendment,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.
Mr. Callahan of Keene offered the following amendment.

Amend said bill by renumbering the former Section 3, Section 4.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Callahan, the rules were suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth,

Resolved, That the order whereby House Bill No. 199, An act imposing a tax upon the transfer at death of the personal property of non-residents, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means be revoked and said bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.04 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 23 (in new draft), An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company.

House Bill No. 58 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Laws of 1907 and Section 1 of Chapter 54 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the Civil War and their wives and widows.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 24, An act to authorize school district of the town of Newington to exceed its limit of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 47, An act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of Contoocook Valley Paper Company.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter asked unanimous consent to present a preliminary report of the Committee on Education on the emergency needs of the Board of Education.

Unanimous consent was granted.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION ON THE EMERGENCY NEEDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

The Committee on Education begs leave to present for the information of the House a statement as to the emergency needs of the school districts which rely for their support on state aid.

The following report has been made to the Committee by the State Board of Education.

Original

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CONCORD, FEBRUARY 2, 1921.

To the Committee on Education
of the House of Representatives,
Mr. A. T. Dudley, Chairman.

We submitted to you yesterday the following facts showing the financial situation growing out of the calls of the school districts for state aid for the current year ending August 31, 1921, which were a little more than twice as much as the calls for the preceding year ending August 31, 1920.

1. *Year Ending August 31, 1920.*

Aggregate claims of districts for state aid made in their budgets of December, 1919, $383,486.60

Amount allowed by State Board and distributed	$283,031.09
Amount disallowed	$100,455.51

2. *Year Ending August 31, 1921.*

Aggregate claims of districts for state aid made in their budgets of December, 1920,	769,455.05
Amount allowed by State Board	526,003.42
Amount disallowed	$243,451.63

3. To meet the distribution of $526,003.42 of state aid allowed to 194 school districts for the current year, the amount now available under existing appropriations is (about) $280,000.

Additional appropriation of $246,000 will be required to provide for the full payment of the legitimate claims, as allowed, of the districts for the maintenance of their schools during the current year as contemplated by the law.

4. The needs of very many of the state aided districts (194 out of a total of 256) are such that they will be greatly embarrassed and many schools will either be closed or the school year greatly shortened unless they can receive the State aid to which they are entitled and which has been approved.

5. In this situation the State Board believe it to be its duty to distribute to the state aided districts at an early date the moneys available for that purpose and has voted to distribute that amount *on a pro rata basis* to the school districts entitled to state aid for the current year and it is intended to make said distribution at an early date.

6. The largest item in this increased call for state aid the present year ($769,000) over the calls for the preceding year ($383,000) is in the increase of teachers' salaries beginning September 1, 1920, although considerable increases in other items of district expense appear to make up the aggre-

gate increase in the calls from $383,000 to $769,000 and in the amount allowed from $283,000 to $526,000.

The commissioner will furnish all details to the end that your committee may be fully and accurately informed of the exact situation and the reasons therefor.

7. Annexed hereto and made part hereof is a tabulation showing the following facts in relation to every state aided district:

1st Column—State aid requested year 1919–20
2nd " " " allowed " 1919–20
3rd " " " requested " 1920–21
4th " " " allowed " 1920–21
5th " —Pro rata distribution to be made to each district of the money now available.
6th " —Pro rata balance due each district from funds when and if appropriated.

We respectfully urge that your chairman and every member of your committee carefully examine in detail the facts above stated, and in additon thereto the various provisions of our Educational Act and the practical administration of the law by the State Board, the commissioner, the deputies and superintendents; consider what amendments are desirable for the better working of the act and make your report on all these questions to the end that not only the members of the legislature but every member of the local school boards and interested citizens may be fully informed about the law, how it is working and whether it ought to be amended or repealed.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

By FRANK S. STREETER,
Chairman.

From the above report, it appears:

1. That the state aided districts are facing a situation of such seriousness as to require the fullest and most generous consideration at the hands of the legislature.

2. That the deficiency report is due in no sense to extrav-

agance, but to the unexpected increased market cost of every item of school expenditures.

3. That unless relief is granted by the legislature, every one of the 194 state aided districts will find itself in financial straits and one-third will be compelled to close their schools.

Your committee takes this opportunity to report to the House that as soon as the situation can be properly canvassed and the needed changes ascertained, it will offer to the House a bill for amendment of the school law of 1919. The committee will later present a joint resolution for emergency relief.

A. T. DUDLEY,
For the Committee on Education.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter, the clerk was instructed to procure 1,000 copies of the foregoing report, incorporating therewith the tabulation accompanying said report.

On motion of the same gentleman, the clerk was directed to omit the tabulation from the journal.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the rules were suspended to allow of the first and second reading by their titles and printing of two bills introduced by the Committee on Revision of the Statutes at the morning session, previous to their being recommitted to the committee.

House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 and amendments thereto, and enacting a motor vehicle law.

House Bill No. 284, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907 relating to a lien on standing trees covered by mortgage.

Severally read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Miss Doe of Rollinsford at 3.25 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

PETITION PRESENTED.

By Mr. Davenport of Londonderry, Petition of Baptist Church of Londonderry protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 19, An act relating to the issue of bonds and notes by railroads and public utilities.

House Bill No. 42, An act to annex certain land to union school district number one, Tilton.

House Bill No. 61, An act to authorize the high school district of Lebanon to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 73, An act to confirm the action of town meeting in Hampton on December 20, 1920.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock for the Committee on Forestry reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 285, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 159, Laws of 1913, relating to a division of the state into forest fire districts. With the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the first reading of new bills by their titles made in order.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock for the Committee on Forestry reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 286, An act providing for the purchase of a new forest nursery, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock for the Committee on Forestry reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 287, An act to provide for the patrol of forest lands in order to prevent the occurrence and spread of forest fires, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

Mr. Cole of Salem for the Committee on Forestry reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 288, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913 as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915 and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917 relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock for the Committee on Forestry, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 289, An act to encourage the reproduction of pine on cut-over pine lands through the leaving of seed trees, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No.

64, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 29, of the Public Statutes relating to registers of deeds, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 108, An act in amendment of Chapter 139 of the Laws of 1919 relating to taxation of street railways, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft, ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on the Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 290, An act in amendment of Chapter 76, of the Public Statutes, relating to the law of the road, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the committee on the Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 123, An act amending Section 8 of Chapter 220 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the salary of the deputy secretary of state, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Norton of Manchester for the Committee on County Affairs to whom was referred House Bill No. 49, An act in amendment of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to county commissioners, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "made" in line 3 the words "by the county treasurer" so that said

section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 1. Amend Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes by striking out Section 12 thereof and substituting therefor the following: SECT. 12. A record of all receipts and payments of county funds shall be made by the county treasurer in the county receipts and payments book, prescribed by the state tax commission, showing in the case of receipts, the date, source and amount, and in case of payments, the name of the payee, the voucher number and amount, properly classified according to the uniform classification prescribed by said commission. The vouchers shall be filed, according to the numbers appearing in the county receipts and payments book in the office of the county commissioners. In the case of court orders direct on the county treasurer, as provided in Section 2, Chapter 28, Public Statutes, the clerk of court shall furnish the county commissioners with a duplicate order showing the class of expenditure, date and amount.

The report was accepted the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Norton of Manchester, for the Committee on County Affairs, to whom was referred House Bill No. 179, An act relative to jails for the counties at the county farms and appointment of jailers therefor, in place of present county jails, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 291, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Bridgewater, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 143, An act relating

to expert medical and surgical testimony, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Commitee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 56, An act to amend Chapter 88 of the Laws of 1897, relating to the laying out of winter roads, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Cilley of Manchester for the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 37, Joint resolution providing for permanent headquarters in the state house for the State of New Hampshire Department of the American Legion, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 103, An act to repeal Chapter 7 of the Session Laws of 1907, entitled an act to amend Chapter 11 of the Session Laws of 1899 concerning holidays, reported the same in a new draft and with a new title with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 116, An act relative to the registration of persons, firms and corporations, designing to install wires, or other apparatus for electric light, heat or power purposes, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester to whom was referred House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418 Session Laws of 1913 relating to pensioning of employees of the public works of the city of Manchester, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "fifty-five" in the second and ninth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty."

Further amend said section by striking out the words "Board of Public Works" wherever they occur and inserting in place thereof the words "Department of Highways" so that said section shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "seventy" and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty." Further amend said section by striking out the words "Board of Public Works" wherever they occur and inserting in place thereof the words "Department of Highways," so that said Section 1 shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The Department of Highways, of the city of Manchester, by affirmative vote of all the members, may at his own request or at the request of the mayor of said city, retire from service for one year, any employee of the Department of Highways, who in the judgment of said department has become disabled for useful service while in the actual performance of duty; or any employee who has reached the age of sixty years and has had fifteen consecutive years' service; and may grant a pension to such retired employee for a period of not exceeding one year at a time. No such employee shall be granted a pension unless it shall be certified to the Department of Highways in writing by the city physician, that such employee is permanently incapacitated physically from performing his duty as an employee of the department. Consecutive years under the terms of this section shall not be interpreted to disqualify those candidates for pensions who may have been laid off

temporarily from work by the Department of Highways from time to time.

Amend section 2 by striking out all of said section after the word "aldermen" in the second line, and before the word "section" in the fifth line. Further amend by striking out the word "shall" in the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the word "may" so that said section as amended shall read:

SECTION 2. Amend Section 4 by striking out the words "common council" and inserting in place thereof the words "Board of Aldermen," so that said Section 4 shall read as follows:

SECTION 4. The Board of Aldermen of the city of Manchester may from time to time appropriate sufficient money to carry out the provisions of this act.

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the words "Public Works" and inserting in place thereof the words "Department of Highways."

The report was accepted.

The question being on the amendments proposed by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the bill with the accompanying amendments was laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, February 8 at 11.01 o'clock, meanwhile the bill as amended to be printed.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester to whom was referred House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346 Laws of 1913 an act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend by striking out the first two lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Amend Section 1 of Chapter 346 of the Laws of 1913 by striking out the word "twenty" in said section and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteen." Further amend by adding at the end of Section 1 the following:

"But provided that any member who is retired by reason of his age may receive a pension as provided herein without a certificate of incapacity. The widow and dependent minor children of any member dying from injuries received in service may be granted a pension in like amount as would have been granted to such member if he had been disabled in actual service and retired. Where there is more than one dependent the pension may be apportioned among such dependents in such manner as the board of mayor and aldermen may deem best," so that as amended said section shall read,

SECTION 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may, at the request of the chief engineer or of the board of engineers, retire from active service any member of the fire department who has performed faithful service in the department for a period of fifteen consecutive years, exclusive of any service as call man; or any member of the department who has been disabled while in the actual performance of duty; and may grant a pension to such retired member for a period not exceeding one year at a time. Before a pension is granted, the city physician shall certify to the board of mayor and aldermen that such retired member is incapacitated either mentally or physically from performing his duty as a member of the department, but provided that any member who is retired by reason of his age may receive a pension as provided herein without a certificate of incapacity. The widow and dependent minor children of any member dying from injuries received in service may be granted a pension in such amount as might have been granted to such member if he had been disabled in actual service and retired. Where there is more than one dependent the pension may be apportioned among such dependents in such manner as the board of mayor and aldermen may deem just.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the amendments as proposed by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the bill with the

accompanying amendments was laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, February 8 at 11.02 o'clock, meanwhile the bill as amended to be printed.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester to whom was referred House Bill No. 10, entitled, An act in amendment to the charter of the city of Manchester, and House Bill No. 133, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the city of Manchester to adopt a council-manager form of government, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is expedient to legislate upon said House Bill No. 10, and that it is also expedient to legislate upon said House Bill No. 133, upon a plan substantially as set forth in the accompanying resolution.

Resolved, that the Committee on the Judiciary be, and hereby is, requested to prepare and submit to the House of Representatives a draft of a bill enabling the people of Manchester, at a special election, to indicate their choice of one of three forms of municipal government for said city to be in effect on and after the first Tuesday in January in the year 1922: and be it further *Resolved:* that such draft of a bill, when prepared, shall embody the following questions and shall specifically refer to House Bill No. 10 and to House Bill No. 133 in such corrected drafts as the committee shall deem necessary, but without material change in form or substance of either or both of said bills: and be it further

Resolved: that the date of the special election to be held under the provisions of the proposed act shall be determined upon by the board of mayor and aldermen, *provided, however,* that such special election shall not be held before the first Tuesday in September nor later than the first Tuesday in October in the year 1921, and that the form of ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:—

CITY OF MANCHESTER.

Indicate your choice of one of the following plans of municipal government for the city of Manchester by marking a cross (x) in the square at the right of the question:—

VOTE FOR ONE

PLAN A — Are you in favor of continuing the present form of city government, as based upon "An act to establish the city of Manchester, as approved July 10, 1846, with all acts in amendment thereto? ☐

(Otherwise known as Plan A)

PLAN B — Are you in favor of changing to the commission form of city government as set forth in House Bill No. 10? ☐

(Otherwise known as Plan B)

PLAN C — Are you in favor of changing to the council-manager form of city government, as set forth in House Bill No. 133? ☐

(Otherwise known as Plan C)

If you approve the council-manager plan (otherwise known as Plan C) vote here on the manner of appointing the police commissioners by marking, a cross (x) at the right of the question on which you would vote "Yes."

No. 1 — Are you in favor of having the city manager appoint the police commissioners? ☐

No. 2 — Are you in favor of having the Governor and Council appoint the police commissioners? ☐

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 13, in new draft, An act relating to the state seal and state flag.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Derby of Peterborough the bill was laid upon the table.

(Mr. Rogers of Wakefield in the chair.)

House Bill No. 282, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals from commissioners.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene,

Resolved, That the clerk be instructed to procure 500 extra copies of House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 and amendments thereto and enacting a motor vehicle law.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 49, An act in amendment of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to county commissioners.

House Bill No. 64, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 29, of the Public Statutes relating to register of deeds.

House Bill No. 282, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals from commissioners.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester at 11:59 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following letter was read by the clerk.

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 4, 1921.

Mr. Edmund R. Angell,
Derry, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Spalding of Lyndeborough, at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following letter was read by the clerk.

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 7, 1921.

Mr. Harold K. Davison,
Haverhill, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Richmond, at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Kittredge of Mont Vernon and Brown of Manchester were granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Allen of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

Mr. Howes of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Curtis of Berlin was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Austin of Cornish, Petition of citizens of Cornish protesting against the passage of House Bill No. 138.

By Mr. Hopkins of Laconia, Petition of members of the United Baptist Church of Lakeport protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Austin of Cornish, Petition of citizens of Cornish praying for the passage of House Bill No. 168.

By Mr. Putnam of Claremont, Petition of citizens of Claremont praying for the passage of House Bill No. 168.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 24, An act to authorize school district of the town of Newington to exceed its limit of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 47, An act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of Contoocook Valley Paper Company.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 292, An act in amendment of Section 8, Chapter 174 of Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 56, Laws of 1919, relating to who may solemnize marriage, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 62, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to county commissioners, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word and figure "Section 8" and inserting instead thereof the word and figure "Section 9"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to county commissioners is hereby amended by striking out the whole of Section 9.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Bill No. 207, An act to sever the homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist from the Grasmere village precinct and annex the same to the Goffstown village precinct for school purposes, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "precinct" wherever it occurs and inserting in place thereof, the word "district" so that said section as amended shall read as follows: "SECT. 1. The homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist is hereby severed from the Grasmere Village district and

annexed to the Goffstown Village district for school purposes only.

Amend the title by striking out the word "precinct" wherever it occurs and inserting in place thereof the word "district," so that said title as amended shall read as follows: "To sever the homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist from the Grasmere village district and annex the same to the Goffstown village district for school purposes."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 187, An act relating to the duties of supervisors of the checklist, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 194, An act to provide safety exit facilities for schoolhouses, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 96, An act to absorb the Farmington village precinct, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester to whom was referred House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the Section 1 of said act by striking out the word

"shall" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the word "may." Further amend said section by striking out the word "or" in the second line and inserting in place thereof, the word "and"; Further amend said section by striking out the words "a certified" in the tenth line and inserting in place thereof the word "city" so that said section as amended will read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may at the request of the superintendent of schools and the school board, retire from active service any teacher of the public schools who has performed faithful service for a period of thirty consecutive years as a teacher and who has taught fifteen years in the city of Manchester; or any teacher who has reached the age of fifty-five years or any teacher forced to retire because of physical or mental disability; and shall grant a pension to such retired teacher for a period not exceeding one year at a time. Before a pension is granted, a city physician shall certify to the school board that such retired teacher is incapacitated to perform the duties incumbent upon said teacher."

The report was accepted.

The question being on the amendments proposed by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the bill with the pending amendments was recommitted to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, for a further hearing.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 103 (in new draft), An act to make the day on which biennial elections are held a legal holiday for the public schools of the state.

House Bill No. 108 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 139 of the Laws of 1919, relating to taxation of street railways.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

Mr. Challis of Manchester called for the special order.

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the Department of Highways of the city of Manchester.

The question being on the amendments submitted by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the bill with the pending amendments was recommitted to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester for a further hearing.

House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen.

The question being on the amendments submitted by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the bill with the pending amendments was recommitted to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, for a further hearing.

On motion of Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen, at 11.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 2 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 103, An act to make the day on which biennial elections are held a legal holiday for the public schools of the state.

House Bill No. 108, An act in amendment of Chapter 139 of the Laws of 1919, relating to taxation of street railways.

House Bill No. 207, An act to sever the homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist from the Grasmere village district and annex the same to the Goffstown village district for school purposes.

House Bill No. 62, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to County Commissioners.

Severally read a third time and passed, and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that:

The Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 33, An act authorizing Cheshire county to defray hospital expenses of John H. Allen.

House Bill No. 65, An act to amend Chapter 30 of the Public Statutes relating to annual reports of county officers.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Colebrook at 3.16 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

PETITION PRESENTED AND PREFERRED.

By Mr. Quimby of Claremont, Petition of citizens of Claremont protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 293, An act relating to time limit for adjusting and paying fire losses, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes relating to the investigation of the causes of fires, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua for the Committee on Public Improvements reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 295, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the south side road in Raymond to the junction with the central road in Epsom, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua for the Committee on Public Improvements reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 296, An act relating to the laying out of the highways in the city of Nashua, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to the Nashua delegation.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua.

Mr. Cole of Hampton, for the Committee on Towns to whom was referred House Bill No. 92, An act in amendment of Chapter 43 of the Public Statutes relating to duties of town officers, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Cole of Hampton, for the Committee on Towns to whom was referred House Bill No. 113, An act providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education to whom was referred House Bill No. 152, An act to repeal Chapter 302 of the Session Laws of 1887 and annexing the homestead farm of George H. Stevens to the town of Piermont for school purposes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The Committee on Forestry to whom was referred House Bill No. 289, An act to encourage the reproduction of pine on cut over pine lands through the leaving of seed trees, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Cole of Salem for the Committee on Forestry to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 33, A joint resolution in relation to the gift of Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury to the State of New Hampshire for certain purposes reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock for the Committee on Forestry to whom was referred House Bill No. 286, An act providing for the purchase of a new forest nursery reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Abbot of Wilton for the Committee on Forestry to whom was referred House Bill No. 285, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 159, Laws of 1913, relating to a division of the state into forest fire districts reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 50, An act relating to fishing in Lake Baboosic reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 145, An act to change the name of Mosquito pond in Manchester reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake in the town of Franconia, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 278, An act to amend Section 17, (a), Chapter 133, Laws of 1915 as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by inserting in line sixteen after the word "thereof" the words "There shall be no open season for beaver" so that said section as amended shall read:

"SECTION 1. Amend Section 17, (a), Chapter 133, Laws of 1915 as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, by striking out all of said Section 17, (a), and inserting in place thereof a new section seventeen, (a), to read as follows: SECT. 17. (a) Sable, otter, fisher, mink, martin, muskrat, skunk, or fox may be taken and possessed from October 10 to March 1, from the counties of Coos, Carroll, and Grafton, and from the counties of Rockingham, Strafford, Belknap, Merrimack, Hillsborough, Cheshire, and Sullivan from November 1 to March 1, except muskrat may be taken and possessed from the Connecticut river from November 1 to April 1, and raccoon may be taken and possessed from November 1 to January 1. No person shall at any time destroy a muskrat house, or place a trap therein, thereon, or at the entrance thereof. There shall be no open season for beaver. This section shall not be construed as depriving a person of the right to kill any predatory animal when it is reasonably necessary so to do for the protection of domestic animals and fowls by him owned.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 100, An act to improve the fishing in Connecticut lakes in the town of Pittsburg, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 132, An act to close to all fishing in certain brooks and streams reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, by reason that Fish and Game Commissioner already is vested with power to take care of same.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 69, An act relating to the carrying and use of firearms reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Norton of Manchester, for the Committee on County Affairs, to whom was referred House Bill No. 86, An act relating to the election of county officers, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

The undersigned, a majority of the Committee on Liquor Laws, to whom was referred House Bill No. 124, An act to repeal Section 50 of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917

providing for a state commissioner of law enforcement reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

RAYMOND L. LANE.
WILLIAM J. CALLAHAN.
DANIEL B. PALMER.
CHAS. A. PARKER.
CHAS. B. ROSS.
ARTHUR W. NELSON.
GAYLORD G. CUMMINGS.
WALTER A. WILSON.
HARRY W. GILCHRIST.
LEWIS C. DANE.
WILLIAM G. GANNON.
LEONARD H. PILLSBURY.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Liquor Laws, to whom was referred House Bill No. 124, An act to repeal Section 50 of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917 providing for a state commissioner of law enforcement, being unable to agree with the majority reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

WILBUR F. MOODY.
ALFRED J. BOUCHER.

Mr. Moody of Dover moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion to substitute.

Mr. Barrett of Dover moved that the bill and reports with the motion to substitute pending be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, February 16 at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Tuck of Concord moved the previous question,

The motion was seconded by the required number.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

Mr. Moody of Dover demanded the yeas and nays.

Mr. Tuck of Concord rose to a parliamentary inquiry, which inquiry he subsequently withdrew.

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS, 81.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Rousseau, Sanborn, of Newmarket, Hett, Linchey, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Heffernan, Cox.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Moody, Wentworth, Barrett of Dover, Durnin, Beaudoin of Rochester, Gelinas, Leary, Boucher, Parsons.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Kempton, Normandin, Avery of Laconia.

CARROLL COUNTY.—None.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Swenson, Clough, Bates, Cass of Pembroke, Forcier.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Ellsworth, Cavanaugh, Broderick, Gorham, Heffron, Jennings, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan, of Manchester, Tobin, Rainford, Godbout, McCarthy, Chevrette, Smith of Manchester, Sullivan of Manchester, Dobbie, Maloney, Hecker, Larivee, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Cote, Lamy, Maynard, Rajotte, Gauthier, Janelle, Avard, Boivert of Nashua, Richard of Nashua, Earley, Cotton, Hallisey, Ravenelle, Winn, Pelletier, Soucy.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Tuttle of Harrisville, Swan, Barrett of Troy, Wells.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Porter.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Hunkins, Mooney, Morse of Littleton, Mason of Lyman, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY.—Sheridan of Berlin, Willett, Christopher, Blodgett.

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Colcord of Candia, Fiske, Collins, Scott, Angell, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Knights, Brown of Epping, Fellowes, Frost of Fremont, Daniell, Randall, Cole of Hampton, Parker, Fish, Stevens of Kingston, Doe of Newfields, Andrews, Dow, Towle, Ibbotson, Benfield, Hodgdon, Schurman, Jenness, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Kelley of Sandown, Smith of Seabrook, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Locke, Foss, Fairbanks, Shackford, Houston, Sherry, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Tuttle of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Knox, Hartford, Berry of New Durham, Haley, Evans, Meader, McDuffee, Lowe, Woodward, Doe of Rollinsford, Yeaton, Rainville, Letourneau, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Page, Tarlson, Trapp, Bell of Laconia, Philbrook, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Gordon, Wilson, Carter, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Blue, Ela, Phelps, Head, Leavitt of Effingham, Perkins, Morey, Gray of Jackson, Blanchard, McCrillis, Schenck, Palmer, Rogers, Clow, Young of Wolfboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Stone of Andover, Farnum, Colby, Cummings, Mason of Canterbury, Call, Robinson, Amsden, Danforth, Otis, Newton, Thayer, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Clarke, Sargent of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Gilchrist, Garneau, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Murdock, Ladd, Emerson, Crane, Sargent of Northfield, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Rockwood, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown,

Greer, Brooks of Greenfield, Boisvert of Greenville, Adams of Hancock, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Spalding, Cilley, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Lord of Manchester, Norton, Burman, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Garmon, Merrill, Johnston, Kimball of Manchester, Streeter, McIntyre of Manchester, Appelman, Eaton of Mason, Young of Merrimack, Lovejoy of Milford, Ordway, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Winslow, Jackman of Nashua, Foisie, Hooper, Walker, Frost of Pelham, Derby, Nichols, Peaslee of Weare, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Lewis, Pierce of Dublin, Damon, Wilder, Booth, Donahue, Mower, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Fay, Hall, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Sawtell, King, Whitman, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Barney, of Claremont, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Neslon, Lovejoy of Lempster, Dodge of Newport, Kendall, Newell, Chellis, Philbrick, Osborne, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Blandin, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Kelley of Canaan, Jackman of Enfield, Rudd, Pariso, Dane, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Allen of Haverhill, Carr, Davison, Haskell of Holderness, Poor, Liscomb, Messenger, Ross, Sara, Fogg, Batchelder, Pushee, Frazer, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Steele, McLinn, Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.—Abramson, Beaudoin, Oleson, Hill, Stevens of Colebrook, Cass of Columbia, Bedell, Forbes, Grannis, Long, Cole of Milan, Marshall, Stone of Stark, Banfill, Kimball of Stratford, Brown of Whitefield.

Mr. Pierce of Manchester voting yes was paired with Mr. Lane of Swanzey voting no.

And the motion to substitute did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk, announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 63, An act amending Section 10 of Chapter 141 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Laws of 1905 and by Chapter 93 of the Laws of 1913, relating to liens of mechanics and others.

House Bill No. 119, An act in regard to disposition of records of the state treasurer.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield,

Resolved, That the use of Representatives' Hall be granted to the New Hampshire State Conference of Social Work on Tuesday evening, March 8, 1912, for a public meeting.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 12.46 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 50, An act relating to fishing in Lake Baboosic.

House Bill No. 92, An act in amendment of Chapter 43 of the Public Statutes relating to duties of town officers.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes.

Read a third time.

The question being:

Shall the bill pass?

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough the bill was put back upon its second reading and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

House Bill No. 113, An act providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years.

House Bill No. 145, An act to change the name of Mosquito pond in Manchester.

House Bill No. 152, An act to repeal Chapter 302 of the Session Laws of 1887 and annexing the homestead farm of George H. Stevens to the town of Piermont for school purposes.

House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos.

House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake in the town of Franconia.

House Bill No. 278, An act to amend Section 17, (a), Chapter 133, Laws of 1915 as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game.

House Bill No. 289, An act to encourage the reproduction of pine on cut over pine lands through the leaving of seed trees.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Joint Resolution No. 33, Joint resolution in relation to the gift of Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury to the State of New Hampshire for certain purposes.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the joint resolution pass?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the joint resolution passed and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen at 3.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Richard of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Sawtell of Rindge, Petition of the Congregational Church of Rindge protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Sawtell of Rindge, Petition of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Rindge protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Liscomb of Lebanon, Petition of Seventh Day Adventists of the United States protesting against the passage of any Sunday law or other religious legislation to Puritanize America.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 114, An act in amendment of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the sale of securities, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "dollars" in the fourteenth and forty-first lines the following words: "and furnishing evidence satisfactory to the insurance commissioner that the issue of such license will not be inconsistent with the public interest"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. Section 1 of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917 is hereby amended by striking out of the same the words

"nor in the case of the foundation of a New Hampshire corporation organized to do business within the state shall the offer of a sale of its securities by such corporation constitute it a dealer in securities. The term 'securities' shall include all classes of stocks, bonds, debentures or certificates of participation," and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Any corporation chartered by or organized under the laws of this state and actually engaged in business herein, or any public utility corporation actually engaged in business in this state, shall be entitled to receive from the Insurance Commissioner a license authorizing it by its officers, agents, and employees to sell its stocks, bonds or other securities within this state, upon making application therefor and paying a license fee of ten dollars and furnishing evidence satisfactory to the insurance commissioner that the issue of such license will not be inconsistent with the public interest. Every such local corporation shall from time to time file with the commissioner the names and residences of its agents and employees authorized to make such sales on its behalf and shall pay a filing fee of one dollar for each agent and employee so authorized. Such corporation so licensed and its officers, agents and employees shall not be regarded as dealers in securities under the provisions of this chapter. The term 'securities' shall include all classes of stocks and shares, bonds, debentures, evidences of indebtedness and certificates of participation."

So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Under this act, the term dealer shall mean any individual, partnership, association or corporation engaging in the selling or offering for sale of securities, except to or through the medium of, or as agent or salesman of, a registered dealer. But sales made by or in behalf of a vendor in the ordinary course of *bona fide* personal investment of his personal holdings or change of such investments shall not constitute such vendor or the agent of such vendor, if not otherwise engaged either permanently or temporarily in selling securities, a dealer in securities. Nor shall the offer

of or sale of its own securities by an association or a corporation to its own members or stockholders constitute such association or corporation a dealer in securities. Any corporation chartered by or organized under the laws of this state and actually engaged in business herein, or any public utility corporation actually engaged in business in this state, shall be entitled to receive from the Insurance Commissioner a license authorizing it by its officers, agents, and employees to sell its stocks, bonds or other securities within this state, upon making application therefor and paying a license fee of ten dollars and furnishing evidence satisfactory to the insurance commissioner that the issue of such license will not be inconsistent with the public interest. Every such local corporation shall from time to time file with the commissioner the names and residences of its agents and employees authorized to make such sales on its behalf and shall pay a filing fee of one dollar for each agent and employee so authorized. Such corporation so licensed and its officers, agents and employees shall not be regarded as dealers in securities under the provisions of this chapter. The term "securities" shall include all classes of stocks and shares, bonds, debentures, evidences of indebtedness and certificates of participation.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 53, An act to authorize the county of Coos to issue bonds reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. When so authorized by the county convention, the county commissioners of Coos county may issue for and in behalf of said county serial coupon bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), for the purpose of funding a like amount of outstanding floating indebtedness now or formerly represented by two notes of

$25,000 each, due January 6, 1921, and February 6, 1921, respectively, and drawn to the order of Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. and any refundings or renewals of all or any portion thereof heretofore or hereafter made, and to reimburse the county treasury for any funds advanced therefrom temporarily to pay any portion of said floating indebtedness, pending the receipt of proceeds of bonds or notes authorized by this act. Said bonds shall be payable to bearer, shall be dated April 1, 1921, shall be in the denomination of one thousand dollars ($1,000) each, shall mature five thousand dollars ($5,000) on the first day of December of each of the years 1922 to 1931 inclusive, shall bear on face interest at a rate not exceeding five (5) per cent. per annum payable December 1, 1921, and semi-annually thereafter, and shall bear the county seal.

Amend Section 4 by striking out after the word "notes" in the fourteenth line thereof the words "shall be reckoned outside the statutory debt limit"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 4. The county commissioners may in the name of the county make a temporary loan for a period of not more than one year in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of such bonds and may issue notes therefor, the proceeds of said notes to be applied to the payment of said floating indebtedness specified in section one herein may renew or refund such notes from time to time by an issue of new notes maturing within said period fixed for said temporary borrowing, *provided* that the period from the date of issue of the original anticipatory note and the date of maturity of such renewal or refunding notes shall be not more than one year, and *provided*, also, that the period within which said bonds shall become due and payable shall not be extended, by reason of the making of such temporary loan, beyond the time fixed by section one of this act. Said notes may be in such form, may bear interest at such rate, or may be sold at such discount, as the county commissioners and the county treasurer may deem proper,—discount to be treated as interest paid in advance.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House Bill No. 130, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes in relation to the expenses of savings banks, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend title by inserting after the word "statutes" the words "as amended by Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1917," so that said title as amended shall read: "An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1917 in relation to the expenses of savings banks."

Amend Section 1 by adding after the word "statutes" in the second line the words "as amended by Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1917" so that said section as amended shall read: "SECT. 1. Strike out all of Section 5 of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1917 and substitute the following:

SECT. 5. The trustees shall annually establish the salary of the treasurer and of all other officers and employees of the bank. The total yearly expenses of the bank incurred by the trustees in its management, including salaries, shall not exceed four thousand dollars while the average amount of its deposits is five hundred thousand dollars or less, and in no case shall they exceed the sum produced by adding to four thousand dollars two-fifths of one per cent of the excess of deposits up to three million dollars, and one-fifth of one per cent of the excess of deposits above three million dollars."

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House Bill No. 43, An act to authorize the stockholders of the Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank to change the name of said institution,

reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont for the Committee on Education to whom was referred House Bill No. 201, An act to sever the homestead farm of the late Charles C. Hayes from Rollinsford and annex the same to Dover for school purposes reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont for the Committee on Education to whom was referred House Bill No. 204, An act to sever the homestead farm of Harry Wilson from Dover and annex the same to Rollinsford for school purposes reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont for the Committee on Incorporations to whom was referred House Bill No. 213, An act to amend an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Portsmouth, N. H. enacted by the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire June 22, 1821, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Banks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations to whom was referred House Bill No. 79, An act in amendment of Chapter 309 of Session Laws of 1915 entitled "An act in amendment of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Laconia Lodge, No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks'" passed at the Session of Legislature in 1915, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 215, An act in amendment of Chapter 10 and of Chapter 107 of the Public Statutes, relative to the Commission of Lunacy reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House Bill No. 184, An act to amend an act of the legislature of the session of 1889, Chapter 265, Laws of 1895 and 1905, relating to the capital stock of the Nashua Trust Company, reported the same in a new draft, with a new title and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Banks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 297, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 22, Laws of 1915, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee. with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont for the Committee on Incorporations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 298, An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 2555 of the Laws of 1861 as amended by the Session Laws of 1903 relating to Alpha Delta Phi Society, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 299, An act to establish the city of Claremont, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Brooks of Claremont the clerk was directed to procure 1000 additional copies of the above bill.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 300, An act to improve and protect the sewerage and drainage systems of the city of Keene, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 301, An act designating the Daniel Webster Highway, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Scott of Deerfield, for the Committee on Agriculture reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 302, An act to regulate sale of agricultural seeds, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont for the Committee on Education reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 303, An act to sever certain lands from the school district of the town of Hillsborough and to annex the same to the Hillsborough Bridge special school district, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second

time and laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 42, Joint resolution to assist the town of Goshen in the erection of two bridges, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 12, Joint resolution in favor of repairing Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 8, a Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the word "five" in the first line thereof, and substituting in place thereof the word "two." Further amend said resolution by inserting after the word "appropriated" in line two the words "provided the town of Brookfield appropriate a like amount." So that said resolution as amended shall read as follows:

"That the sum of two hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, provided the town of Brookfield appropriate a like amount, for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield for the year 1921, and a like amount for the year 1922, the same to be expended under the direction of the commissioner of highways, and shall be a charge upon the appropriation for

the permanent improvement of highways made under Section 10, Chapter 35, Laws of 1905.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridge and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 9, Joint resolution in favor of the Sandwich Notch road, so-called in the towns of Thornton and Sandwich, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 7, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Jefferson leading from the Carroll town line to the Gorham Hill road near Bowmans, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges, and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 6, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Carroll leading from the west side trunk line to Cherry Mountain station, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hopkins of Laconia, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 35, Joint resolution in favor of Mrs. Nancy A. Clark of Dery, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 5, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Atkinson, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 37, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920 in the town of Dunbarton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter covered owing by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 20, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Antrim held on November 2, 1920, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 27, An act to legalize and confirm the warrant for, and the votes and proceedings at the biennial election and meeting in Bedford, held the 2nd day of November, 1920, having considered the same, report the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 28, An act to legalize

the biennial election held at Warner, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 35, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Plaistow, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 36, An act to legalize the biennial election held in Plymouth, November 2, 1920 reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 38, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Ashland held on November 2, 1920, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 46, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Epsom, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 51, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Newcastle, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 74, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Newport held on November 2, 1920, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate the subject being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 75, An act to legalize the biennial meeting of the town of Troy held on November 2, 1920, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 81, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Wentworth, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 83, An act legalizing

the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Ossipee, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 136, An act increasing the penalty for certain crimes under certain contingencies, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 189, An act providing for inspection and licensing of hotels and restaurants, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary for a further hearing.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 190, An act concerning the taking of depositions in one state to be used in any foreign jurisdiction, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 192, An act concerning the proof of statutes of other jurisdictions and to make uniform the law with reference thereto, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 212, An act prohibiting the use of stalls or enclosures in restaurants and other places where food is sold to the public to be consumed upon the premises, in cities, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 3, Joint resolution for the repair of the Cherry Mountain road, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 13, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Effingham Falls and Lord's Hill road situated in the town of Effingham, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 15, Joint resolution in favor of the Diamond Pond road in Stewartstown, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads,

Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 27, Joint resolution for improvement of state highway in Pittsburg extending from Farnsworth Place to Second lake, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, and the committee recommends that it be discontinued as a state highway.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 39, Joint resolution for the permanent improvement of the Baker's Pond road in the town of Orford, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 50, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Newton leading from Newton Junction to Highland street in the town of Newton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

BILL FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 292, An act in amendment of Section 8, Chapter 174 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 56, Laws of 1919, relating to who may solemnize marriages.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate, by its clerk, announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 7, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Stratford.

House Bill No. 26, An act to legalize the proceedings of a school meeting of the school district of the town of Greenland.

House Bill No. 58 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Laws of 1907 and Section 1 of Chapter 54 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the Civil War and their wives and widows.

House Bill No. 64, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 29, of the Public Statutes, relating to registers of deeds.

House Bill No. 49, An act in amendment of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to county commissioners.

House Bill No. 282, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes, relating to appeals from commissioners.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 5, An act providing that women may hold public office.

Senate Bill No. 4 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes in relation to building and loan associations.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 4, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes in relation to Building and Loan Associations.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Senate Bill No. 5, An act providing that women may hold office.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

RECONSIDERATION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the vote whereby the House passed House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos was reconsidered.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On motion of Mr. Ahern the rules were suspended, the bill put back upon its second reading and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the vote whereby the House passed House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake, in the town of Franconia was reconsidered.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On motion of Mr. Ahern the rules were suspended, the bill put back upon its second reading and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,—

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning, it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 43, An act to authorize the stockholders of the Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank to change the name of said institution.

House Bill No. 53, An act to authorize the county of Coos to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 79, An act in amendment of Chapter 309 of Session Laws of 1915 entitled "An act in amendment of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Laconia Lodge No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks,'" passed at the session of Legislature in 1915.

House Bill No. 114, An act in amendment of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the sale of securities.

House Bill No. 130, An act in amendment of Section 5, of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1917, in relation to the expenses of savings banks.

House Bill No. 201, An act to sever the homestead farm of the late Charles C. Hayes from Rollinsford and annex the same to Dover for school purposes.

House Bill No. 204, An act to sever the homestead farm of Harry Wilson from Dover and annex the same to Rollinsford for school purposes.

House Bill No. 213, An act to amend an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Portsmouth, N. H. enacted by the legislature of the State of New Hampshire, June 22, 1821.

House Bill No. 215, An act in amendment of Chapter 10 and of Chapter 107 of the Public Statutes, relative to the commission of lunacy.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 12.25 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following letter was read by the clerk.

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 11, 1921.

Mr. Hiram T. Heath,
Bristol, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Angell of Derry, at 9.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 14, 1921.

Mr. Joseph B. Murdock,
Hill, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Warner:

Resolved, That the clerk be instructed to procure 200 extra copies of House Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 264 of the Public Statutes, relating to the playing of games on Sunday and 200 extra copies of House Bill No. 138, An act to regulate business and sports

on the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's day.

On motion of Mr. Heath of Bristol at 7.32 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Mason of Lyman was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Lamy of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Perkins of Freedom was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Whitman of Westmoreland, Petition of citizens of Westmoreland protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr Tuck of Concord, Petition of citizens of Milton protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Chase of Warner, Petition of citizens of Warner protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Appelman of Manchester, Petition of citizens of Manchester protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Rand of Gilford, Petition of Christian Church of Gilford protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, Petition of citizens of Woodstock protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Hunt of Derry, Petition of citizens of Derry protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Cilley of Manchester, Petition of citizens of Manchester protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Bemis of Marlborough, Petition of the W. C. T. U. of Marlborough, protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

By Mr. Pattee of Ashland, Petition of the Baptist Church of Ashland protesting against any change in the Sunday Law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 7, An act legalizing the acts and proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Stratford.

House Bill No. 26, An act to legalize the proceedings of a school meeting of the school district of the town of Greenland.

House Bill No. 63, An act amending Section 10 of Chapter 141 of the Public Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 41 of the Laws of 1905 and by Chapter 93 of the Laws of 1913, relating to liens of mechanics and others.

House Bill No. 64, An act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 29 of the Public Statutes relating to registers of deeds.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 257, An act in amendment of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, entitled "An act to establish a public service commission," as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1917, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 260, An act authorizing the Boston & Maine Railroad further to unify its system by purchasing or merging the Nashua & Acton and Sullivan County Railroads and certain subsidiary roads in the state

of Vermont, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 304, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 158 of the Laws of 1915 as amended by Chapter 32 of the Laws of 1919 relating to terms of the Superior Court for Rockingham county, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 84, An act authorizing the town of Ossipee to exempt from taxation the property of the Ossipee Water and Electric Company, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 220, An act in amendment of Section 9 of Chapter 234 of the Public Statutes relating to executions against towns and districts reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 305, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 245 of the Public Statutes relating to trustee process, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 120, An act repealing Chapter 98, of the Laws of 1907, and changing the fiscal year of the state, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth, for the Committee on Elections, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 306, An act to authorize the proprietors of Portsmouth Bridge to discontinue the public use of its bridges and sell its property and franchise to and merge the same with the Boston and Maine Railroad, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Portsmouth.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Portsmouth.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 307, An act establishing and changing the present location of the Rocky Pond road, so-called, connecting the Central road at Concord with the Daniel Webster Highway at Laconia, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 202, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the office of Attorney-General, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 150, An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to the burial of certain soldiers and sailors, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 130, Laws of 1909, and Chapter 135, Laws of 1919, by adding at the end thereof a new section, as follows: SECT. 21. Whenever any resident of this state dies, who served in the United States Army, Navy or Marine Corps, during the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection, or the World War, prior to November 12, 1918, who has been honorably discharged therefrom and a majority of the selectmen of the town or the mayor of the city in which such person died, shall certify under oath to the state treasurer that such person did not leave sufficient estate to pay the expenses of his funeral, the governor shall draw a warrant in favor of the selectmen or mayor for a sum not exceeding fifty dollars ($50) to defray such burial expenses of such deceased person.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 147, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of Spanish War Veterans and American Legion reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

The Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 175, An act to exempt certain farm improvements from taxation reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 176, An act to establish a licensing system for engineers and firemen of steam engines and boilers, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 177, An act to provide for the licensing of stationary firemen and engineers reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 238, An act to provide guide-board and traffic signs of uniform and exclusive colors, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 253, An act to encourage the building of homes in New Hampshire, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Gorham of Manchester moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee for further hearing.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Gorham.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 141, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 248 of the Public Statutes, regarding the preceedings of justices of the peace, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 139, An act for the assessment of poll taxes, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Willey of Durham for the Committee on Unfinished Business to whom was referred House Bill No. 41, An act to establish a board in piano tuning and to regulate the practice thereof, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from Carroll County to whom was referred House Bill No. 85, An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the County of

Carroll reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill, in its new draft, read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 184, An act in amendment of Chapter 279 of the Laws of 1889 as amended by Chapter 265 of the Laws of 1891 and by Chapter 167 of the Laws of 1905 relative to the Nashua Trust Company.

House Bill No. 297, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee.

House Bill No. 298, An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 2555 of the Laws of 1861 as amended by the Session Laws of 1903 relating to Alpha Delta Phi Society.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 301, An act designating the Daniel Webster Highway.

Taken from the table.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield offered the following amendment.

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the word "the" before the words "Daniel Webster Highway" and inserting in place thereof the word "a"; so that said title as amended shall read as follows:

An act designating a Daniel Webster Highway. As a tribute to the son of New Hampshire,—to the most masterful and to the most famous expounder of the Federal Constitution,—and in memory of the man whose matchless speeches, and unanswerable constitutional interpretations strengthened and vitalized the integrity of the Union of the States.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word and figure "Section 1" the word "That:—"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. That:—The great New Hampshire highway described as follows, beginning at the Massachusetts State

boundary and running northerly through Nashua, Manchester, Concord, Boscawen, and Franklin (which, in the last named town, runs within about three miles of the Daniel Webster Birthplace), thence northerly through Tilton, Laconia, Meredith, Plymouth, and Woodstock, now known as "The Merrimack Valley Road," and thence through the Franconia Notch to "Twin Mountain" in the town of Carroll, now known as "The Profile and Lafayette roads," and the road or highway running northerly from "Twin Mountain" in the town of Carroll through Carroll, Whitefield, Lancaster, Northumberland and Stratford to Colebrook, now known as "The West Side road," and any line or extension thereof in the direction of the boundary line between the United States and Canada, established by what is known as "The Webster-Ashburton Treaty," is hereby given the name of "The Daniel Webster Highway," and the governor and council are authorized to direct all things necessary to suitably mark and designate accordingly.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendments were adopted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a third reading.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill, House Bill No. 13, An act relating to the state seal and state flag, was taken from the table.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Norton of Manchester at 12.15 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 301, An act designating a Daniel Webster Highway.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

(Mr. Childs of Hillsborough in the chair.)

House Bill No. 298, An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 255 of the Laws of 1861 as amended by the Session Laws of 1903 relating to Alpha Delta Phi Society.

House Bill No. 297, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee.

House Bill No. 13 (in new draft), An act relating to the state seal and state flag.

House Bill No. 120, An act repealing Chapter 98, of the Laws of 1907, and changing the fiscal year of the state.

House Bill No. 220, An act in amendment of Section 9 of Chapter 234 of the Public Statutes relating to executions against towns and districts.

House Bill No. 84, An act authorizing the town of Ossipee to exempt from taxation the property of the Ossipee Water and Electric Company.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 260, An act authorizing the Boston & Maine Railroad further to unify its system by purchasing or merging the Nashua & Acton and Sullivan County Railroads and certain subsidiary roads in the state of Vermont.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time by its title. The bill was then passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 184, An act in amendment of Chapter

279 of the Laws of 1889 as amended by Chapter 265 of the Laws of 1891 and by Chapter 167 of the Laws of 1905 in relation to the charter of the Nashua Trust Company.

House Bill No. 257, An act in amendment of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, entitled "An act to establish a public service commission" as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 292, An act in amendment of Section 8, Chapter 174 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 56, Laws of 1919, relating to who may solemnize marriages.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that:

The Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 6, An act to promote the public health by providing protection for maternity and infancy.

The message also announced that:

The Senate has voted to adopt the amendment offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 119, An act in regard to disposition of records of the state treasurer.

Amend Section 2 of said bill by inserting after the word "all" in the sixth line of said section the word "such," so that said section shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. The state treasurer shall submit to the governor and council a statement describing documents and papers that he desires to remove from the files of the office; and a committee of the council shall examine such documents and papers. If the committee approves such disposition, a record shall be made of all such documents and papers, and they shall then be burned by the state treasurer in the presence of the committee.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 6, An act to promote the public health by providing protection for maternity and infancy.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester at 3.29 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Haley of Rochester, Petition of W. C. T. U. of Rochester, protesting against any change in the Sunday laws.

By Mr. Haley of Rochester, Petition of M. E. Church of Rochester, protesting against any change in the Sunday laws.

By Mr. Gates of Keene, Petition of citizens of Keene protesting against any change in the Sunday laws.

By Mr. Adams of Pittsfield, Petition of citizens of Pittsfield, protesting against any change in the Sunday laws.

By Mr. Challis of Manchester, Petition of the citizens of Franklin, protesting against any change in the Sunday laws.

By Mr. Chase of Warner, Petition of the Baptist Church of Warner, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bill:

House Bill No. 49, An act in amendment of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to county commissioners.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred House Bill No. 129, An act in relation to the guaranty funds of the guaranty fund surplus of guaranty savings banks, reported the same, in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants, reported the same, with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by renumbering Section 8, Section 9.

Further amend said bill by adding the following section to be numbered 8:

SECT. 8. All persons heretofore admitted to this state as certified public accountants shall continue as such except as they are required to meet the provisions of this act.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Cole of Salem, for the Committee on Forestry, to whom was referred House Bill No. 287, An act to provide for the patrol of forest lands in order to prevent the occurrence and spread of forest fires, reported the same, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Abbot of Wilton, for the Committee on Forestry, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 308, An act to designate the state treasurer as the custodian of United States funds allotted to the forestry department, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second

time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Forestry.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 309, An act to amend Section 40, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to catching trout in Newfound lake, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Cilley of Manchester, for the Committee of Military Affairs, to whom was referred Joint Resolution 51, Joint resolution providing for the making of improvements, purchase of property and necessary repairs upon the buildings and grounds of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at the Weirs for the years 1921 and 1922, reported the same, with the recommendation that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. King of Walpole for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 311, An act to establish a continuous highway from the Lake Sunapee road at Bristol to the Daniel Webster Highway at Meredith, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes reported the following entitled bill, House

Bill No. 312, An act to change the name of the Baboosic road between Manchester and Milford to that of the Horace Greeley Highway, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 70, An act in amendment of Chapter 69, Laws of 1909, prohibiting sales of merchandise in bulk in fraud of creditors, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lane of Swanzey, for the Committee on Liquor Laws, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 313, An act to amend Section 50, Chapter 147, Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99, Laws of 1919, relating to intoxicating liquor, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

Mr. Lane of Swanzey, for the Committee on Liquor Laws, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 314, An act in amendment of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 in relation to intoxicating liquor, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the Special Committee, consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school

teachers, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the Special Committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highways of the city of Manchester, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the Special Committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, an act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Roberts of Manchester, moved that the rules be suspended, and that the three bills last ordered to a third reading be put back upon their second reading and recommitted to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Roberts.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Roberts withdrew his motion.

On motion of Mr. Roberts the three bills were put back upon their second reading for purposes of amendment.

The special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester offered the following amendments to House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers.

Amend Section 1 of said act by striking out the word

"shall" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the word "may"; further amend said section by striking out the word "or" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the word "and"; further amend said section by striking out the words "a certified" in the tenth line and inserting in place thereof the word "city" so that said section as amended will read as follows:

SECT. 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may at the request of the superintendent of schools and the school board, retire from active service any teacher of the public schools who has performed faithful service for a period of thirty consecutive years as a teacher and who has taught fifteen years in the city of Manchester; or any teacher who has reached the age of fifty-five years or any teacher forced to retire beacuse of physical or mental disability; and shall grant a pension to such retired teacher for a period not exceeding one year at a time. Before a pension is granted, a city physician shall certify to the school board that such retired teacher is incapacitated to perform the duties incumbent upon said teacher.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the amendments were adopted. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, offered the following amendments to House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highways of the city of Manchester.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "fifty-five" in the second and ninth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty". Further amend said section by striking out the words "Board of Public Works" wherever they occur and inserting in place thereof the words "Department of Highways." So that said section shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "seventy" and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty". Further amend said section by striking out the words "Board of Public Works" wherever they occur and inserting in place

thereof the words "Department of Highways," so that said Section 1 shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. The Department of Highways, of the city of Manchester, by affirmative vote of all the members, may at his own request, or at the request of the mayor of said city, retire from service for one year, any employee of the Department of Highways, who in the judgment of said department has become disabled for useful service while in the actual performance of duty; or any employee who has reached the age of sixty years and has had fifteen consecutive years' service; and may grant a pension to such retired employee for a period of not exceeding one year at a time. No such employee shall be granted a pension unless it shall be certified to the Department of Highways in writing by the city physician, that such employee is permanently incapacitated physically from performing his duty as an employee of the department. Consecutive years under the terms of this section shall not be interpreted to disqualify those candidates for pensions who may have been laid off temporarily from work by the Department of Highways from time to time.

Amend Section 2 by striking out all of said section after the word "aldermen" in the second line, and before the word "section" in the fifth line. Further amend by striking out the word "shall" in the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the word "may" so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 4 by striking out the words "common council" and inserting in place thereof the words "Board of Aldermen."

SECT. 4. The Board of Aldermen of the city of Manchester may from time to time appropriate sufficient money to carry out the provisions of this act.

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the words "Public Works" and inserting in place thereof the words "Department of Highways."

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the amend-

ments were adopted. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester offered the following amendments to House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen.

Amend by striking out the first two lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Amend Section 1 of Chapter 346 of the Laws of 1913 by striking out the word "twenty" in said section and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteen." Further amend by adding at the end of Section 1 the following: "but provided that any member who is retired by reason of his age may receive a pension as provided herein without a certificate of incapacity. The widow and dependent minor children of any member dying from injuries received in service may be granted a pension in like amount as would have been granted to such member if he had been disabled in actual service and retired. Where there is more than one dependent the pension may be apportioned among such dependents in such manner as the board of mayor and aldermen may deem best," so that as amended said section shall read:

SECTION 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may, at the request of the chief engineer or of the board of engineers, retire from active service any member of the fire department who has performed faithful service in the department for a period of fifteen consecutive years, exclusive of any service as call man; or any member of the department who has been disabled while in the actual performance of duty, and may grant a pension to such retired member for a period not exceeding one year at a time. Before a pension is granted, the city physician shall certify to the board of mayor and aldermen that such retired member is incapacitated either mentally or physically from performing his duty as a member of the department, but provided that any member who is retired by

reason of his age may receive a pension as provided herein without a certificate of incapacity. The widow and dependent minor children of any member dying from injuries received in service may be granted a pension in such amount as might have been granted to such member if he had been disabled in actual service and retired. Where there is more than one dependent the pension may be apportioned among such dependents in such manner as the board of mayor and aldermen may deem just.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the amendments were adopted. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the three foregoing bills made in order for a third reading at the present time by their titles.

House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers.

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the Department of Highways of the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which, it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were sus-

pended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Appelman of Manchester at 12.22 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 287, An act to provide for the patrol of forest lands in order to prevent the occurrence and spread of forest fires.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time by its title. The bill was then passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 53, An act to authorize the county of Coos to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 113, An act providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to House Bill No. 23, An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Amend said bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of an act approved June 26, 1827, entitled, An act to incorporate Nathaniel Gilman and others by the name of the Exeter Manufacturing Company, recorded in the office of the secretary of state in Vol. 24, page 37 of Original Acts and Resolutions, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "value" in the fourteenth line of said section the words two million, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. And be it further enacted, that said corporation is hereby authorized to carry on the making and manufacturing of cotton goods and such other manufactures as they may from time to time think fit, in Exeter in the county of Rockingham, and may carry on such branches of trade and business as may be necessarily connected therewith, and may erect such dams, mills and other works as may be necessary to carry on such branches of manufacture and business. And the said corporation shall also have power to acquire by purchase or otherwise, such real and personal estate as may be necessary or convenient for carrying on said branches of business; provided such estate shall not exceed in value two million five hundred thousand dollars, and the same may dispose of and sell at pleasure.

SECT. 2. The title of the company to property both real and personal, at any time acquired and held in excess of five hundred thousand dollars as heretofore provided, is hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to House Bill No. 58, An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes as

amended by Section 1 of Chapter 95 of the Laws of 1907 and Section 1 of Chapter 54 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the Civil War and their wives and widows, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Amend said bill by striking out the title thereof and inserting in place thereof the following new title: An act relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the War of the Rebellion, the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection and their wives and widows.

Further amend said bill by striking out the word "or" at the end of the 11th line of Section 1, and inserting in place thereof the word "of," so that said Section 1 shall read as follows: SECTION 1. Amend Chapter 56 of the Public Statutes by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 2. Any soldier, sailor or marine of the War of the Rebellion or of the Spanish-American War or of the Philippine Insurrection who shall present to the selectmen or assessors of the town in which he lives, for inspection and record, his pension certificate awarding to such soldier, sailor or marine an invalid pension of any amount, or an honorable discharge of such soldier, sailor or marine from the service of the United States in said Rebellion or said Spanish-American War or said Philippine Insurrection, shall thereafter be exempt from levy of poll tax.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to House Bill No. 282, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals from commissioners, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof a new section as follows: SECT. 2. The judge shall order the administrator to be served with a copy of the petition and declaration. The creditor shall enter his action at the trial term of the superior court holden next after the expiration of twelve days from such service, and shall produce attested copies of the petition, declaration, and order of notice, and evidence of compliance with the order. Any action brought in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be entered in the superior court in the county where either party resides, and any action now pending hereunder shall be transferred upon motion of the plaintiff to the superior court for the county in which such plaintiff resides.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills. The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Mr. Lampron of Nashua, having qualified before his Excellency the Governor, appeared and took his seat as a member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough at 3.16 o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, Petition of citizens of Woodstock, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Brown of Whitefield, Petition of Protestant churches of Whitefield, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Davis of Derry, Petition of W. C. T. U. of Rochester, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Peaslee of Laconia, Petition of W. C. T. U. of Lakeport, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Smith of Farmington, Petition of citizens of Farmington, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Ordway of Milford, Petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Milford, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 53, An act to authorize the county of Coos to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 113, An act providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 178, An act relating to insurance companies, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House Bill No. 165, An act relating to the valuation of bonds and other securities held by life insurance companies, assessment life associations and fraternal beneficiary associations, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Holmes, of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 270, An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915; Chapter 224, Laws of 1917 and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating

to state aid for highways, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Allen of Manchester, for the Committee on State Hospital, to whom was referred House Bill No. 241, An act in relation to the New Hampshire State Hospital, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Bill No. 67, An act authorizing the transfer of the town of Walpole's interest in the bridges crossing the Connecticut river between the towns of Walpole, New Hampshire, and Rockingham and Westminster, Vermont, to the State of New Hampshire highway system, reported the same with the following amendments and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the words "and the Walpole-Westminster bridge, so-called" in lines two and three. Further amend by striking out the word "towns" in line four and inserting in place thereof the word "town." Further amend by striking out the words "and Westminster" in line four. Further amend by inserting the word "and" after the word "called" in line two, and further amend by striking out the word "all" in line three and inserting in place thereof the word "both." So that said section as amended shall read: SECTION 1. The interest of the town of Walpole in the Arch bridge, so-called, and the Tucker bridge, so-called, both crossing the Connecticut river and connecting the said town of Walpole and the town of Rockingham, Vermont, shall become a part of the state highway system of the state and be treated as such whenever the town of Walpole shall by suitable instruments of conveyance transfer the interests in said bridges to the state in consideration of said bridges becoming a part of said highway system.

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the words "and Westminster" so that said title as amended shall read as follows:

An act authorizing the transfer of the town of Walpole's interest in the bridges crossing the Connecticut river between the towns of Walpole, New Hampshire and Rockingham, Vermont, to the State of New Hampshire highway system.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 104, An act to establish a continuous highway from the Vermont state line at North Walpole to the west side road in Lebanon, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by inserting the word "and" after the word "Charlestown" in line 6; and further amend said section by striking out all thereof after the word "Claremont" in said line 6, and inserting in place thereof the following: "The route north of Claremont to be determined by the governor and council." So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. The highway commissioner may designate for improvement by suitable description, subject to the approval of the governor and council, whenever in his opinion the public good so requires, a continuous highway from the Vermont state line in Walpole on the Arch bridge, so-called, in the village of North Walpole, through Charlestown and

Claremont. The route north of Claremont to be determined by the governor and council.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 29, An act to establish a state highway from the West Side trunk line to Echo lake in Lempster, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 22, An act to provide for the making of topographic maps of the State of New Hampshire, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Allen of Manchester, for the Committee on State Hospital to whom was referred House Joint Resolution, No. 17, Joint resolution for additional improvements at the State Hospital, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough, for the Committee on County Affairs reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 315, An act to regulate the salary of the sheriff for Belknap county, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to a special committee consisting of the Belknap county delegation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Belknap.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 316,

An act to repeal Chapter 209 of the Laws of 1895 entitled "An act to establish Union school district in Bath," with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Education reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committtee on Education.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 318, An act in amendment of the charter of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company, authorizing said company to increase its capital stock, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 319, An act to authorize the Granite State Fire Insurance Company to do a sprinkler leakage, explosion, riot and civil commotion and registered mail business, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No.

320, An act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee for the Committee on Public Health, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 321, An act regulating the slaughtering and inspecting of meat from neat cattle, sheep and swine, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House Bill No. 181, An act in relation to assignment of life insurance policies, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads, was put back upon its second reading and recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following

entitled bill and joint resolution sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 114, An act in amendment of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the sale of securities.

House Joint Resolution No. 33, Joint resolution in relation to the gift of Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury to the State of New Hampshire for certain purposes.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord,

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall be granted the Farmers' Council for Tuesday evening, February 22nd, for a meeting in the interests of co-operative marketing.

Mr. Winn of Nashua offered the following resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE JAMES A. GALLAGHER.

Whereas, This House has learned with sincere sorrow of the death of Representative James A. Gallagher of Ward 7 of the city of Nashua, and

Whereas, in view of the loss we have sustained by the decease of our fellow member, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say in regretting his removal from our midst we mourn for one who was, in every way, worthy of our respect and regard.

Resolved, That we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best, and whose chastisements are meant in mercy,

Resolved, That the heartfelt testimonial of our sympathy and sorrow be forwarded to the family of our departed brother by the clerk of this House.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning, it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield,

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall be granted to the Committee on Education on Tuesday, March 1, at 7.30 p. m. for a hearing on pending bills.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 165, An act relating to the valuation of bonds and other securities held by life insurance companies, assessment life associations and fraternal beneficiary associations.

House Bill No. 178, An act relating to insurance companies.

House Bill No. 241, An act in relation to the New Hampshire State Hospital.

House Bill No. 270, An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915; Chapter 224, Laws of 1917 and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating to state aid for highways.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

ADDRESS ON FOREST CONDITIONS.

Col. William B. Greeley, Chief of the United States Forest Service, addressed the House on matters pertaining to Forestry.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 12.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1921.

The House met at 9. 30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 18, 1921.

Mr. William N. Rogers,
Wakefield, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1921.

Mr. Calvin S. Anderson,
Richmond, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Heath of Bristol at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Clarence B. Etsler of Claremont.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Sanborn of Center Harbor and Mr. Hecker of Manchester were granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Dodge of Keene was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Appelman of Manchester, Petition of citizens of Manchester protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Hamlin of Gorham, Petition of members of the M. E. Church of Gorham, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bill:

House Bill No. 282, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Public Statutes, relating to appeals from commissioners.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 153, An act to increase the bounty on wildcats, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 227, An

act in regard to salaries of wardens reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 223, An act in regard to length of brook trout and limit taken, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, the bill with the report was laid upon the table.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 224, An act in regard to hunting licenses reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes and Round lake in Pittsburg, reported the same in a new draft, with a new title and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 159, An act in amendment of the Laws of 1915, Chapter 133, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to the taking of pheasants, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended, ought to pass.

Amend Section 2 of said bill by striking out the figure "1" in line two and inserting in place thereof, the figures "15", so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Insert the following: SECT. 23. (b) Pheasant

may be taken and possessed from November 15 to November 30, both days inclusive.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos, reported the same, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out the whole of Section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 3. Any person who violates a provision of this act shall be fined ten dollars for each offence, and five dollars additional for each fish taken or possessed in violation thereof.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake in the town of Franconia, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out the whole of Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Any person who violates a provision of this act shall be fined ten dollars for each offence, and five dollars additional for each fish taken or possessed in violation thereof.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 54, An act in amendment of Section 9, Chapter 357, Laws of 1917, entitled "An act to incorporate the Marlborough Water Works Company," reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read

a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 2, An act in amendment of the charter of the Whitefield village fire district, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 118, An act relating to the authority of the state treasurer to borrow money on the state's credit in certain cases, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 131, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Newcastle to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the word "twenty" in the third line of said section and by inserting instead thereof the word "fifteen"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The school district of the town of Newcastle is hereby authorized to incur indebtedness in an amount not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of the construction and equipment of school buildings and said amount to be in addition to the amount already authorized by the provisions of Chapter 129, Laws of 1917.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 185, An act to incor-

porate the Mary E. Hunt Home for Aged Women, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 6 of the bill by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 6. Said corporation being a charitable corporation, all of its property is hereby exempted from taxation, provided the city government and mayor of the city of Nashua approve such exemption."

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 180, An act referring to taxation of the Danbury Light and Power Company, reported the same with the following amendments and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word "Danbury" in the first line of said section the words: "by majority vote at its annual town meeting"; and by inserting after the word "years" in the third line of said section, the words "from April 1, 1921"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. That the town of Danbury by majority vote at its annual town meeting is hereby authorized and empowered to exempt from local taxation for a period of ten years from April 1, 1921, the plant and improvements of the Danbury Light and Power Company.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 322, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 67 of the Public Statutes, entitled "Powers of selectmen in laying out highways," with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary,

reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 323, An act legalizing the biennial elections held in certain towns on November 2, 1920, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 324, An act to amend Chapter 30, Section 9, of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to municipal courts, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended, and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The Committee on Forestry, to whom was referred House Bill No. 288, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915 and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "fires" in line 7 of the following "and further amend by inserting after the word "thereon" the following: 'and that a reasonable time shall be given to remove or dispose of such slash as the forestry commission may require'"; and further amend said Section 1 by inserting after the word "thereon" in line 28 the following: "and that a reasonable time shall be given to remove or dispose of such slash as the forestry commission may require," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SECT. 1. Section 6, of Section 1, Chapter 161, Laws of 1917 is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the sentence in line 17 the following: "The Forestry Commission may also require the removal or disposal of lumber

slash or other inflammable material near camps, mills, much traveled roadways or adjacent to valuable growing woodlands or buildings when in the judgment of the commission such slash or inflammable material constitutes an unusual hazard, endangering other property through the setting or spreading of forest fires," and further amend by inserting after the word "thereon" the following: "and that a reasonable time shall be given to remove or dispose of such slash as the forestry commission may require," so that said section as amended will read as follows:

SECT. 6. On and after July 1, 1917, any person, firm or corporation cutting wood or lumber on property adjacent to the right of way of any steam or electric railroad or public highway, or adjacent to the land of another, shall dispose of the slash caused by such cutting in such a manner that the inflammable material shall not remain on the ground within sixty (60) feet of the right of way of any steam railroad, or within twenty-five (25) feet of the right of way of any electric railroad or the traveled part of any public highway; and when cutting on land adjacent to the land of another, shall fell the trees away from and not towards nor parallel with the property line of the abutting owner so that the slash from the tops of said trees, when on the ground, shall be as far from the said property line as the felling of the trees in a practicable manner will carry it. The forestry commission may also require the removal or disposal of lumber slash or other inflammable material near camps, mills, much travelled roadways or adjacent to valuable growing woodlands or buildings when in the judgment of the commission, such slash or inflammable material constitutes an unusual hazard, endangering other property through the setting or spreading of forest fires. Any operator of wood or timber on such land, or any owner of such land where cutting is done, may be fined not more than ten (10) dollars for each acre of such land or fraction thereof, or for each one hundred (100) linear feet or fraction thereof from which the inflammable material is not properly removed or disposed of within sixty (60) days from the cut-

ting of the trees thereon; and that a reasonable time shall be given to remove or dispose of such slash as the forestry commission may require; provided, that any owner or operator who cuts wood or timber during the winter after November, shall have until May 1 in Grafton, Carroll and Coos counties, and until April 1 in other counties, to remove the slash in accordance with the provisions of this section. If such slash is destroyed by burning, such burning shall be done with the permission of the town forest fire warden. The forestry commission is hereby charged with the execution of this section. All owners or operators shall be required to use due care in clearing such land, and shall not be relieved of liability for damage imposed by Chapter 128, Laws of 1909, and amendments thereto; but no owner of such land shall be liable for damages resulting from fires not set by himself or his agents.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 121, An act to purchase a right of way of the Seabrook and Hampton Beach Street Railway Company, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 166, An act to repeal Chapter 272 of the Laws of 1919 and to reenact the provisions of the charter of Ashley's Ferry, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 167, An act in relation to trustees of cemetery funds in towns, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 189, An act providing for inspection and licensing of hotels and restaurants, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 232, An act in relation to the regulation of auctions and auctioneers, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 240, An act to provide for the licensing of plumbers and to protect the public health, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 254, An act relating to unclaimed money, and to repeal Section 22, Chapter 162, of the Public Statutes relating to bank commissioners, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 264, An act in relation to the deputy secretary of state, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 78, An act to close a portion of Winnipesaukee river for fishing through the ice for the term of five years, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the same power being already vested in the Fish and Game Commissioner.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 102, An act for the protection of deer, having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 117, An act to prohibit fishing through the ice in Massabesic lake, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 126, An act to amend sub-division (c) of Section 17 of Chapter 13 Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 152 of the Laws of 1919 relating to traps and snares, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 171, An

act to improve the fishing in Island pond in the towns of Hampstead and Derry; and Angle pond in the towns of Hampstead and Sandown, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, power being already vested in the Fish and Game Commissioner to close all waters.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 191, An act to open Lake Winnipauket to ice fishing, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 217, An act to reimburse the town of New Hampton for such loss or losses as have been sustained by said town by reason of the state having acquired for fish and game culture, Dickerman brook and adjacent property in said town, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 228, An act in regard to rating of wardens, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 235, An act to amend sub-division (c) Chapter 14 of the Session Laws of 1915 as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919 relating to the use of rifle in towns of Chichester, Hooksett

and Canterbury, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 250, An act in relation to the fish and game laws reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 261, An act to amend Section 14 (a) Chapter 133, Laws of 1915 as amended by the Laws of 1917, and 1919, relating to fish and game, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 269, An act to amend Chapter 93, Section 1 of the Laws of 1911, relating to bounty on hedgehogs, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 85 (new draft), An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184, of the Public Statutes relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

House Bill No. 129 (new draft), An act in relation to the guaranty fund of the guaranty fund surplus of guaranty savings banks.

House Bill No. 147 (new draft), An act to amend Section

1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of the Spanish War Veterans and American Legion.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 312, An act to change the name of the Baboosic road between Manchester and Milford to that of the Horace Greeley Highway.

Taken from the table.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 92, An act in amendment of Chapter 43 of the Public Statutes relating to duties of town officers.

House Bill No. 152, An act to repeal Chapter 302 of the Session Laws of 1887 and annexing the homestead farm of George H. Stevens to the town of Piermont for school purposes.

House Bill No. 201, An act to sever the homestead farm of the late Charles C. Hayes from Rollinsford and annex the same to Dover for school purposes.

House Bill No. 204, An act to sever the homestead farm of Harry Wilson from Dover and annex the same to Rollinsford for school purposes.

House Bill No. 207, An act to sever the homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist from the Grasmere village district and annex the same to the Goffstown village district for school purposes.

House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company.

Senate Bill No. 1, An act to permit absent voters and voters who by reason of physical disability are unable to vote in person to vote at state elections.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 1, An act to permit absent voters and voters who by reason of physical disability are unable to vote in person to vote at state elections.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, House Bill No. 223, An act in regard to length of brook trout and limit taken, was taken from the table.

Mr. Woodbury moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game for further hearing.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Woodbury,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Angell of Derry offered the following resolution:

Resolution relating to the years of service of each select-

man at the first election under the new law and to filling vacancies in the board.

Inasmuch as confusion may arise in the various towns of the State in electing selectmen, one to serve three years, one, two years, and one, one; and also confusion in filling vacancies in the board as they may occur from time to time.

Therefore, *Be it resolved* by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened: That the selectman receiving the largest number of ballots shall serve three years; the one receiving the next largest, two years; and the one receiving the least, one year.

And be it further resolved, that vacancies in the board shall be filled by the remaining selectmen until the next annual meeting of the town, when said vacancies shall be filled by election.

Mr. Ahern of Concord, raised the point of order that the resolution being a matter of legislation should come in the form of a bill and be introduced through a committee.

The speaker ruled the point well taken.

On motion of Mr. Angell of Derry, the rules were suspended and the resolution referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester,

Resolved, that when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn in honor of George Washington.

On motion of Mr. Appelman, of Manchester at 12.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 85, An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184, of the Public Statutes relating to the times

and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

House Bill No. 180, An act referring to taxation of the Danbury Light and Power Company.

House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos.

House Bill No. 147, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of the Spanish War Veterans and American Legion.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 223, An act in regard to length of brook trout and limit taken.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On a *viva voce* vote the bill passed.

Mr. Allen of Haverhill asked for a division.

A division being had the vote was declared manifestly in the affirmative and the bill passed and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 224, An act in regard to hunting licenses.

(Mr. Barrett of Dover in the chair.)

House Bill No. 159, An act in amendment of the Laws of 1915, Chapter 133, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to the taking of pheasants.

House Bill No. 129, An act in relation to the guaranty fund of the guaranty fund surplus of guaranty savings banks.

House Bill No. 131, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Newcastle to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 185, An act to incorporate the Mary E. Hunt Home for Aged Women.

House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake in the town of Franconia.

House Bill No. 288, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915 and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions.

House Bill No. 312, An act to change the name of the Baboosic road between Manchester and Milford to that of the Horace Greeley highway.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 2, An act in amendment of the charter of the Whitefield village fire district.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendment offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Joint Resolution No. 33, Joint resolution in relation to the gift of Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury to the state of New Hampshire for certain purposes.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the figure "20" in the tenth line of said resolution and inserting in place thereof the figure "1."

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment as proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Gorham of Manchester,

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall be granted the Committee on Public Health for Wednesday evening, February 23 at 7.30 o'clock, for a public hearing on House

Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

On motion of Mr. Knox of Madbury, at 3.25 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY, 23, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of attendance at the Superior Court.

Messrs. Lovejoy of Milford and Pierce of Manchester were granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Frazer of Monroe was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of sickness in his family.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Swan of Keene, Petition of citizens of Keene praying for a liberal view of the so-called Sunday law.

By Mr. Clow of Wolfeboro, Petition of churches of Wolfeboro protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Abbot of Wilton, Petition of citizens of Wilton protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 23, An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Exeter Manufacturing Company.

House Bill No. 58, An act relating to the exemption from taxation of veterans of the War of the Rebellion, the Spanish-

American War, the Philippine Insurrection and their wives and widows.

House Bill No. 114, An act in amendment of Chapter 202 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the sale of securities.

House Bill No. 119, An act in regard to disposition of records of the state treasurer.

House Bill No. 152, An act to repeal Chapter 302 of the Session Laws of 1887 and annexing the homestead farm of George H. Stevens to the town of Piermont for school purposes.

House Bill No. 201, An act to sever the homestead farm of the late Charles C. Hayes from Rollinsford and annex the same to Dover for school purposes.

House Bill No. 204, An act to sever the homestead farm of Harry Wilson from Dover and annex the same to Rollinsford for school purposes.

House Bill No. 207, An act to sever the homestead of Sylvanus B. Gilchrist from the Grasmere village district and annex the same to the Goffstown village district for school purposes.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Scott of Deerfield, for the Committee on Agriculture reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 325, An act repealing Chapter 33, Section 1, Laws of 1893, as amended, relating to compensation for cattle killed, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Scott of Deerfield, for the Committee on Agriculture to whom was referred House Bill No. 230, An act in relation to the sale or letting of domestic animals for breeding purposes reported the same in a new draft with a new title and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education to whom was referred House Bill No. 303, An act to sever certain lands from the school district of the town of Hillsborough and to annex the same to the Hillsborough Bridge special school district, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 205, An act to amend Section 32, sub-division b, of the Fish and Game Laws of 1919–1920, relating to the taking and possession of pickerel, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 3, An act to change the name of Montgomery lake in the town of Whitefield to Burns lake, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for naming of highways, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the words "State Aid and Trunk Line" in line 6, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Chapter 96 of the Laws of 1917 by adding after Section 4 a new section as follows:

SECT. 5. Authority is hereby given the State Highway Commissioner to make such rules and regulations, subject to the approval of the governor and council, as may be necessary to insure the proper use and prevent abuse of the highways during certain seasons of the year. Such rules and regulations shall be filed with the selectmen of the towns affected by the same, who shall cause the same to be posted at least ten (10) days prior to the date on which they are to go into effect. Such rules and regulations shall also be inserted in one or more state papers one or more times at least ten (10) days before such rules and regulations are to take effect. Any person violating such rules and regulations and thereby causing damage to the highway shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100.00) for each offense and shall be liable for all damages occasioned thereby.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 326, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Grafton, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to a special committee consisting of the Grafton County delegation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 30, An act to establish a continuous highway from the South Side road in Wilton to the Massachusetts state line at Townsend, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "Townsend"

in line 6 and inserting in place thereof the word "Ashby", so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION. 1. The highway commissioner may designate for improvement by suitable description, subject to the approval of the governor and council, whenever in his opinion the public good so requires, a continuous highway from the South Side road in Wilton, New Hampshire, through Wilton, Greenville and Mason to the Massachusetts state line at Ashby.

Amend the title by striking out the word "Townsend" and inserting in place thereof the word "Ashby."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 55, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Hudson-Derry road in the town of Hudson to the Massachusetts line at Tyngsboro, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 82, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Sunapee Lake road in the town of New London to the junction of the West Side road in the town of Grantham reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 94, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side road at Groveton to the East Side road at Pontook Falls, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 161, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Baboosic road in Manchester to the junction with the Central road in Bradford, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 163, An act to establish a continuous highway from the East Side road in Gorham through Shelburne to the Maine state line at Gilead, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "east" in line 5 and inserting in place thereof the word "south" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The highway commissioner may designate for improvement by suitable description, subject to the approval of the governor and council, whenever in his opinion the public good so requires, a continuous highway from the intersection of the East Side road in Gorham, over the main road on the south side of the Androscoggin river to the Maine state line at Gilead.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen for the Committee on Normal Schools reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 327, An act providing for the erection of a dormitory at the Keene Normal School, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester moved that the bill be laid upon the table after being printed.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen for the Committee on Normal Schools having considered the subject, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 328, An act in amendment of Section 29 of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1919, in relation to fees and costs in certain cases, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted, the bill laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen for the Committee on Normal Schools to whom was referred House Bill No. 31, An act for the establishment of a normal school in the city of Manchester, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

Mr. Challis of Manchester moved that the bill and report be laid upon the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen for the Committee on Normal Schools, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 38, Joint resolution providing for the erection of a dormitory at the Keene Normal School, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 18, Joint resolution to provide for a breakwater in the town of Hampton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

Mr. Haley of Rochester moved that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements for a further hearing.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution reported by the committee was adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 2, An act limiting the speed of motor vehicles reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 3, An act fixing the speed gear of motor vehicles, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 62, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relating to county commissioners.

House Bill No. 84, An act authorizing the town of Ossipee to exempt from taxation the property of the Ossipee Water and Electric Company.

House Bill No. 215, An act in amendment of Chapter 10 and of Chapter 107 of the Public Statutes relative to the Commission of Lunacy.

House Bill No. 220, An act in amendment of Section 9, Chapter 234 of the Public Statutes relating to executions against towns and districts.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 16, An act in amendment of Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, providing for rest for municipal employees of the city of Manchester.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 16, An act in amendment of Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, providing for rest for municipal employees of the city of Manchester.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

On motion of Miss Doe of Rollinsford at 12.05 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917 relating to the protection of state roads.

House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for naming of highways.

House Bill No. 205, An act to amend Section 32, sub-division b, of the Fish and Game Laws of 1919–1920, relating to the taking and possession of pickerel.

House Bill No. 303, An act to sever certain lands from the school district of the town of Hillsborough and to annex the same to the Hillsborough Bridge special school district.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 3, An act to change the name of Montgomery lake in the town of Whitefield to Burns lake.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that:

The Senate has voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asks the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 92, An act in amendment of Chapter 43 of the Public Statutes relating to duties of town officers.

Amend said bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Nothing in this act shall be construed as repealing Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1919, which provides that town officers shall be elected by plurality vote in towns which have adopted the Australian ballot system.

Further amend said bill by adding after Section 2 the following:

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester at 3.08 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Farley of Hollis, Petition of W. C. T. U. of Hollis protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Schenck of Tamworth, Petition of citizens of Tamworth protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Barney of Claremont, Petition of citizens of Claremont, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Brown of Epping, Petition of citizens of Epping protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally introduced and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 62, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to county commissioners.

House Bill No. 84, An act authorizing the town of Ossipee to exempt from taxation the property of the Ossipee Water and Electric Company.

House Bill No. 220, An act in amendment of Section 9 of Chapter 234 of the Public Statutes relating to executions against towns and districts.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Etsler of Claremont, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 299, An act to establish the city of Claremont, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Etsler, of Claremont, the rules were suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 4, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes in relation to building and loan associations reported the same with the following amendments and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out its title and substituting the following: An act in relation to building and loan associations and in amendment of Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes.

Further amend the bill by striking out Section 3 and inserting the following:

SECT. 3. The secretary of every building and loan association shall give to the association a bond of an indemnity company licensed by the insurance commissioner to do business in this state, for the faithful performance of his duties, —the penal sum of the bond to be three thousand dollars. The treasurer of every building and loan association shall give an indemnity bond as aforesaid in the penal sum of three thousand dollars where the dues capital do not exceed fifty thousand dollars; in the penal sum of five thousand dollars when the dues capital exceed fifty thousand dollars but do not exceed one hundred thousand dollars; and when the dues capital exceed one hundred thousand dollars, one thousand dollars shall be added to the minimum penal sum for each one hundred thousand dollars of dues capital or fractional part thereof. If the cash and securities of the association are not in the custody of the treasurer the amount of his bond shall be in such sum as is approved by the bank commissioners. If the offices of secretary and treasurer are held by one person, he shall give the amount of bond required above of the treasurer.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lane of Swanzey, for the Committee on Liquor Laws, to whom was referred House Bill No. 313, An act in amend-

ment of Section 50, Chapter 147, of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 in relation to intoxicating liquor, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 309, An act to amend Section 40, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to catching lake trout in Newfound lake, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House Bill No. 319, An act to authorize the Granite State Fire Insurance Company to do a sprinkler leakage, explosion, riot and civil commotion, and registered mail business, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 318, An act in amendment of the charter of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company, authorizing said company to increase its capital stock, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to the investigation of the causes of fires, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Abbot of Wilton, for the Committee on Agricultural

College reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution, No. 52 Joint resolution appropriating money for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, with the recommendation that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Agricultural College.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 329, An act in amendment of Section 27 of Chapter 266 of the Public Statutes, relative to advertisements in public places, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 53, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Whitefield leading from Whitefield village to the proposed Cherry Mountain highway, with the recommendation that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred House Bill No. 16, An act relative to the incorporation and management of credit unions, reported the same, in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in the new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill

was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 330, An act in amendment of sub-division 5 of Section 7 of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1911 in relation to the taxation of money on hand or at interest; and in amendment of Sections 4 and 5 of Chapter 65 of the Public Statutes and all amendments thereof relating to the taxation of savings banks, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 331, An act in amendment of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 273 of the Laws of 1907 relating to the charter of the Underwriters' Fire Insurance Company, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the rules were suspended so as to allow of the first reading by their titles of new bills introduced by the Committee on Insurance. The bill was then read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 332, An act to authorize the Manufacturers & Merchants Mutual Insurance Company to make and effect insurance on motor vehicles, their fittings and contents, and use and occupancy against loss or damage resulting from accident, theft, collision or other causes, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 333, An act in amendment of Chapter 314 of the Laws of 1913 in relation to the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 334, An act in amendment of Chapter 175 of the Laws of 1887, relating to the organization of the Capital Fire Insurance Company of Concord, N. H., with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 335, An act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of foreign insurance companies, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 97, An act in amendment of Chapter 275 of the Public Statutes, relating to larceny and receiving stolen goods, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester, the rules were suspended to allow of the introduction of a report from the Committee on Appropriations, not previously advertised.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following Joint Resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 54, Joint resolution in favor of the estate of James A. Gallagher, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the joint resolution made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Merrimack, to whom was referred House Bill No. 144, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of register of probate in Merrimack county, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the word "the" in line two and inserting in the place thereof the word "a", also by inserting after the word "of" the words "not exceeding"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. The register of probate for Merrimack county shall be allowed a sum of not exceeding nine hundred dollars annually for clerk hire, the same to be paid in monthly installments from the county treasury.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 54, An act in amendment of Section 9, Chapter 357, Laws of 1917, entitled "An act to incorporate the Marlborough Water Works Company."

House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes and Round pond in Pittsburg.

House Bill No. 118, An act relating to the authority of the state treasurer to borrow money on the state's credit in certain cases.

House Bill No. 322, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 67 of the Public Statues entitled "Powers of selectmen in laying out highways."

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 323, An act legalizing the biennial elections held in certain towns on November 2, 1920.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Shackford of Dover, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 43, An act to authorize the stockholders of the Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank to change the name of said institution.

House Bill No. 79, An act in amendment of Chapter 309 of Session Laws of 1915, entitled "An act in amendment of an act entitled an act to incorporate Laconia lodge, No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks" passed by the Session of the Legislature in 1915.

House Bill No. 108, An act in amendment of Chapter 139 of the Laws of 1919, relating to taxation of street railways.

House Bill No. 130, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter

35 of the Laws of 1917, in relation to the expenses of savings banks.

House Bill No. 184, An act in amendment of Chapter 279 of the Laws of 1889, as amended by Chapter 265 of the Laws of 1891, and by Chapter 167 of the Laws of 1905, in relation to the charter of the Nashua Trust Company.

House Bill No. 213, An act to amend an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, enacted by the legislature of the state of New Hampshire, June 22, 1881.

House Bill No. 241, An act in relation to the New Hampshire State Hospital.

House Bill No. 289, An act to encourage the reproduction of pine on cut over pine lands through the leaving of seed trees.

House Bill No. 297, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee.

House Bill No. 298, An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 2555, of the Laws of 1861, as amended by Session Laws of 1903, relating to Alpha Delta Phi Society.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord.

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 54, An act in amendment of Section 9, Chapter 357, Laws of 1917, entitled "An act to incorporate the Marlborough Water Works Company.

House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes and Round pond in Pittsburg.

House Bill No. 118, An act relating to the authority of the state treasurer to borrow money on the state's credit in certain cases.

House Bill No. 144, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Merrimack county.

House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to the investigation of the causes of fires.

House Bill No. 309, An act to amend Section 40, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to catching lake trout in Newfound lake.

House Bill No. 313, An act in amendment of Section 50, Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 in relation to intoxicating liquor.

House Bill No. 318, An act in amendment of the charter of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company, authorizing said company to increase its capital stock.

House Bill No. 319, An act to authorize the Granite State Fire Insurance Company to do a sprinkler leakage, explosion, riot and civil commotion, and registered mail business.

House Bill No. 322, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 67 of the Public Statutes, entitled "Powers of selectmen in laying out highways."

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 4, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes, in relation to building and loan associations.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene the order whereby House Bill No. 300, An act to improve and protect the sewerage and drainage systems of the city of Keene, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, was vacated and the

bill referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Keene and the town of Swanzey.

On motion of Mr. Knox of Madbury, at 12.15 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 25, 1921.

Hon. John H. Brown:
Concord, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Heath of Bristol at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., FEBRUARY 28, 1921.

Mr. Joseph B. Murdock,
Hill, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Richmond, at 7.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Norton of Manchester and Clow of Wolfboro were granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Messrs. Pierce of Manchester and Fogg of Lincoln were granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Winn of Nashua, Petition of the Lone Pine Hunters' club protesting against any discrimination in the Sunday sports bill.

By Mr. Tuck of Concord, Petition of Mercy Hathaway White chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Brown of Epping, Petition of Methodist Church of Epping protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolution:

House Bill No. 34, An act to insure to the citizens of New Hampshire the benefits of the established standard time.

House Bill No. 185, An act to incorporate the Mary E. Hunt Home for aged women.

House Bill No. 241, An act in relation to the New Hampshire state hospital.

House Joint Resolution No. 33, Joint resolution in relation to the gift of Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury to the state of New Hampshire for certain purposes.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Adams of Pittsfield, for the Committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred House Bill No. 256, An act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 249 of the Session Laws of 1919, entitled "An act authorizing the Nashua Manufacturing Company to increase and classify its capital stock," reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 170, An act in amendment of Section 10, Chapter 30, Laws of 1915, relating to the salary of the judges of the municipal courts, reported the same, in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 336, An act relating to the making of wills, and in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 186 of the Public Statutes, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 337, An act providing for the establishment of public warehouses in New Hampshire, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision

of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 186, An act in amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 187 of the Session Laws of 1895, relating to the John M. Hunt Home, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the words "section two" and inserting in place thereof the words, Sections 2 and 4, and also by striking out the word "session," so that said title shall read as follows:

An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 187 of the Laws of 1895, relating to the John M. Hunt Home.

Amend the bill by adding after Section 1 a new section to read as follows:

SECT. 2. Section 4 of Chapter 187, Laws of 1895, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 4. Said corporation being a charitable corporation all of its property is hereby exempted from taxation, provided the city government and mayor of the city of Nashua approve such exemption.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Kempton of Laconia, for the Committee on Industrial School, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 30, for the erection of a stock barn and purchase of land at the State Industrial School, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred House Bill No. 234, An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of beverages, ice cream and candy, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be

printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health, reported the following Joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 55, a Joint resolution to establish a branch laboratory of hygiene at Manchester, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 173, An act to establish the price of gas in the city of Manchester, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 209, An act to repeal certain war-time legislation, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 233, An act in regulation of the purchase of supplies for public schools, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 291, An act to legalize the biennial election held on the second day of November, 1920, in the town of Bridgewater, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred House Bill No. 182, An act relating to advertising quack medicines, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

Mr. Angell of Derry moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution of the committee was adopted.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 243, An act for the licensing and regulation of motion picture exhibitions, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 243, An act for the licensing and regulation of motion picture exhibitions, being unable to agree with the majority, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

S. B. SHACKFORD.

Miss Doe of Rollinsford moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority and with this motion pending, moved that the bill and reports be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, March 2, at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Miss Doe asked for a division.

A division being had, 137 members voted in the affirmative and 188 members voted in the negative and the motion did not prevail.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority, that the bill ought to pass, be substituted for the report of the majority, that it is inexpedient to legislate?

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Angell of Derry, demanded the yeas and nays but subsequently withdrew his demand.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Broderick of Manchester moved the previous question.

The motion was not seconded by the required number.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Murdock of Hill moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Murdock.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Rainford of Manchester moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority, that the bill ought to pass be substituted for the report of the majority; that it is inexpedient to legislate?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion to substitute did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution reported by the Committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 168, An act to regulate the use of bill boards and exhibition of moving pictures, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 168, An act to regulate the use of bill boards and exhibition of moving pictures, being unable to agree with the majority, reported

the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

S. B. SHACKFORD.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

The undersigned, a majority of the Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House Bill No. 172, An act to regulate the hours of work for women and minors under eighteen years of age in manufacturing establishments, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

ALBERT SARA
EDW. A. TUCK
HENRY W. BURMAN
JOHN PARSONS
A. S. CARTER
E. T. NEWTON
HENRY R. BLAIS
RAYMOND COTTON
PATRICK B. MALONEY
JOHN T. WINN
GEO. H. YEATON
THEOPHILE LARIVEE

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House Bill No. 172, An act to regulate the hours of work for women and minors under eighteen years of age in manufacturing establishments, being unable to agree with the majority, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

SILAS C. NEWELL
FRED C. ABBE.

Mr. Newell of Newport moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority and with this motion pending moved that bill and reports be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, March 2 at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester, being unable to agree with the majority, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

JOSEPH P. KENNEY
HENRY R. BLAIS
JAMES B. McCARTHY
JAMES V. BRODERICK
PIERRE GAUTHIER
ALFRED F. MAYNARD
PHILLIPE COTE
ED. RAJOTTE
WILFRED LAMY
REMI GAGNON
PETER J. MAGAN
GEORGE FRANCOEUR, JR.
JOHN B. MULLEN
JEREMIAH J. LEAHY
JEREMIAH TOBIN
JAMES J. JENNINGS
JOHN J. GORHAM
EMILE J. GODBOUT
JOSEPH CHEVRETTE
ISRAEL SMITH
THOMAS KELLEY
EUGENE HEFFRON
CORNELIUS SULLIVAN
MICHAEL S. DONNELLY
ROMEO M. JANELLE

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester, moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion to substitute.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Burman of Manchester, moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the affirmative prevailed.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester called for a division.

A division being had the vote was declared to be manifestly in the affirmative and the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority, that it is inexpedient to legislate, be substituted for the report of the majority, that the bill ought to pass?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester, demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result:

YEAS 73.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY: Colcord of Candia, Pridham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY: Durnin, Berry of New Durham, Gelinas, Rainville, Leary, Boucher, Parsons.

BELKNAP COUNTY: Kempton, Normandin.

CARROLL COUNTY: Cobb, Rogers.

MERRIMACK COUNTY: Kenison, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Swenson, Kelley of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Clough, Garneau, Straw.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Adams of Hancock, Broderick, Gorham, Heffron, Jennings, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Tobin, Godbout, McCarthy, Richard of Manchester, Chevrette, Donnelly, Smith of Manchester, Sullivan of Manchester, Maloney, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Cote, Lamy, Rajotte, Francoeur, Gagnon, Gauthier, Janelle, Boivert of Nashua, Lampron, Richard of Nashua, Earley, O'Neil, Cotton, Morse of

Nashua, Hallisey, Ravenelle, Winn, Aubut, Larouche, Pelletier, Soucy.

CHESHIRE COUNTY: Wells.

GRAFTON COUNTY: Blandin, Mason of Lyman, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY: Seymour, McHugh, Kimball of Stratford.

NAYS 142.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY: Fiske, Collins, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Frost of Fremont, Cole of Hampton, Davenport, Doe of Newfields, Towle, Haigh, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY: Locke, Foss, Reynolds, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Hartford, Evans, Meader, McDuffee, Lowe, Doe of Rollinsford, Yeaton.

BELKNAP COUNTY: Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Trapp, Philbrook, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Wilson, Carter.

MERRIMACK COUNTY: Colby, Mason of Canterbury, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Clarke, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Gilchrist, Murdock, Otterson, Crane, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: Dodge of Amherst, Kilton, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Childs, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Spalding, Cilley, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Lord of Manchester, Burman, Cavanaugh, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Garmon, Haselton, Merrill, Kimball of Manchester, Rainford, Streeter, Allen of Manchester, Dobbie, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Hecker, Larivee, Maynard, Eaton of Mason, Lovejoy of Milford, Ordway, Hunt of Nashua, Jackman of Nashua, Foisie, Hooper, Walker, Derby, Nichols, Peaslee of Weare.

CHESHIRE COUNTY: Damon, Wilder, Tuttle of Harrisville, Booth, Mower, Callahan, Fay, Bemis, Sawtell.

SULLIVAN COUNTY: Reed, Barney of Claremont, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Chellis.

GRAFTON COUNTY: Pattee, Abbe, Avery of Campton, Rudd, Allen of Haverhill, Carr, Ross, Sara, Batchelder, Hunkins, Morse of Littleton, Pushee, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, McLinn.

COOS COUNTY: Hill, Cass of Colombia, Hamlin, Grannis, Marshall, Blodgett, Rix, Banfill.

and two thirds of the members elected not being present and voting, and two thirds of those voting not having voted either in the affirmative or the negative, no valid action was taken either in the affirmative or the negative and the bill went over into unfinished business.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.40 o'clock, the House took a recess for 1 hour and 15 minutes.

(After recess.)

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 16, An act relative to the incorporation and management of credit unions.

House Bill No. 230 (new draft), An act in relation to the sale or letting of domestic animals for breeding purposes.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 330, An act in amendment of Sub-division 5 of Section 7 of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1911 in relation to the taxation of money on hand or at interest; and in amendment of Sections 4 and 5 of Chapter 65 of the Public Statutes and all amendments thereof, relating to the taxation of savings banks.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Banks.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 165, An act relating to the valuation of bonds and other securities held by life insurance companies, assessment life associations and fraternal beneficiary associations.

House Bill No. 178, An act relating to insurance companies.

The message also announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendment offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following house bill, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 215, An act in amendment of Chapter 10 and of Chapter 107 of the Public Statutes, relative to the commission of lunacy.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the words: "and by renumbering the subsequent sections according to their numerical order."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of a report from the Committee on Judiciary not previously advertised.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 338, An act to amend an act passed at the January Session, 1921, providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill read a first time.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

Mr. Piper of Meredith offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out Section 2 and renumbering the following sections accordingly.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ahern at 3.15 o'clock, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 186, An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 187 of the Session Laws of 1895, relating to the John M. Hunt Home.

House Bill No. 256, An act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 249 of the Session Laws of 1919, entitled "An act authorizing the Nashua Manufacturing Company to increase and classify its capital stock."

House Bill No. 16, An act relative to the incorporation and management of credit unions.

House Bill No. 230, An act in relation to the sale or letting of domestic animals for breeding purposes.

House Bill No. 338, An act to amend an act passed at the January Session, 1921, providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, the order whereby House Bill No. 234, An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of beverages, ice cream and candy, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, was vacated and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Public Health for a further hearing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester called for the unfinished business, Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester moved that the House adjourn.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority that it is inexpedient to legislate be substituted for the report of the majority that the bill ought to pass.

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS 47.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Berry of New Durham, McDuffee.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Kempton, Normandin.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Rogers.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Stone of Andover, Farnum, Kelley of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Clough, Straw.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Abbott of Antrim, Broderick, Gorham, Heffron, Jennings, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Tobin, Godbout, McCarthy, Chevrette, Donnelly, Smith of Manchester, Sullivan of Manchester, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Cote, Lamy, Maynard, Rajotte, Francoeur, Gagnon, Gauthier, Janelle.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Nelson.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Mooney, Mason of Lyman, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY.—Kimball of Stratford.

NAYS 180.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Flanders, Fiske, Collins, Scott, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Knights, Fellowes, Frost of Fremont, Randall, Cole of Hampton, Fish, Stevens of Kingston, Andrews, Dow, Towle, Ibbotson, Benfield, Gove, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Pearson.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Foss, Reynolds, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Willey of Durham, Hartford, Meader, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Page, Trapp, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Gordon, Wilson, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Blue, Head, Perkins, Gray of Jackson, Blanchard, Hodsdon, Schenck, Palmer, Young of Wolfeboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Call, Amsden, Danforth, Thayer, Brown of Concord, Tuck, Clarke, Sargent of Concord, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Gilchrist, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Holmes, Murdock, Otterson, Emerson, Sargent of Northfield, Ely, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Kilton, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Greer, Childs, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Cilley, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Howes, Lord of Manchester, Burman, Cavanaugh, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Merrill, Johnston, Kimball of Manchester, Rainford, Streeter, Allen of Manchester, Dobbie, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Hecker, Larivee, Eaton of Mason, Lovejoy of Milford, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Jackman of Nashua, Hooper, Walker, Derby, Peaslee of Weare, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Pierce of Dublin, Wilder, Booth, Mower, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Fay, Swan, Hall, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Sawtell, Lane, Whitman, Barney of Winchester, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Barney of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Austin, Porter, Philbrick, Osborne.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Kelley of Canaan, Jackman of Enfield, Rudd, Dane, Bridgman, Allen of Haverhill, Davison, Haskell of Holderness, Messenger, Ross, Sara, Batchelder, Hunkins, Pushee, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Steele, McLinn.

COOS COUNTY.—Abramson, Beaudoin of Berlin, Cass of Columbia, Simonds, Hamlin, Forbes, Grannis, Long, Cole of Milan, Marshall, Rix, Banfill.

and the motion to substitute did not prevail.

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester moved that the House adjourn.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Blais of Manchester offered the following amendment.

Amend Section 1 by striking out after the word "appointment" in the 7th line the sentence "One commissioner shall be appointed to serve until January 1, 1922; one to serve until January 1, 1923; and one to serve until January 1, 1924, and thereafter as the terms of office expire in each year, one member for a term of three years", and inserting in place thereof the words "Said finance commission shall expire January 1, 1922", so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Within thirty days after the passage of this act, the Governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint a Finance Commission for the city of Manchester to consist of three persons, inhabitants of and qualified voters in the city of Manchester, who shall have been such for at least three years prior to the date of their appointment. Said finance commission shall expire January 1, 1922. Vacancies in the commission shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the council. The Governor and council may remove any member of the board for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office after a hearing with reasonable notice in writing of the charges against him. The chairman shall be designated by the Governor.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Merrill of Manchester moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being on the amendment.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Blais of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays but subsequently withdrew his demand.

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bill was then read a third time.

On a *viva voce* vote the bill passed.

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result:

YEAS 156.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Flanders, Fiske, Scott, Angell, Hunt of Derry, Knights, Dudley, Fellowes, Frost of Fremont, Cole of Hampton, Stevens of Kingston, Towle, Ibbotson, Gove.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Foss, Reynolds, Smart, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Willey of Durham, Knox, Hartford, Meader, McDuffee, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Page, Tarlson, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Gordon, Wilson, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Blue, Leavitt of Effingham, Perkins, Gray of Jackson, Blanchard, Hodsdon, Palmer.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Call, Amsden, Danforth, Otis, Brown of Concord, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Kelley of Concord, Sargent of Concord, Knapp, Lawrence, Gilchrist, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Murdock, Otterson, Sargent of Northfield, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Kilton, Greer, Childs, Brown, of Hudson, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Howes, Lord of

Manchester, Burman, Cavanaugh, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Merrill, Johnston, Kimball of Manchester, Pierce of Manchester, Rainford, Streeter, Allen of Manchester, Dobbie, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Hecker, Larivee, Eaton of Mason, Lovejoy of Milford, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Jackman of Nashua, Derby, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Pierce of Dublin, Wilder, Booth, Donahue, Mower, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Fay, Swan, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Sawtell, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Barney of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Davis of Croydon, Philbrick.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Rudd, Cross of Hanover, Allen of Haverhill, Davison, Haskell of Holderness, Messenger, Ross, Sara, Batchelder, Price, Hunkins, Morse of Littleton, Pushee, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, McLinn.

COOS COUNTY.—Sheridan of Berlin, Beaudoin of Berlin, Cass of Columbia, Hamlin, Bedell, Forbes, Grannis, Long, Marshall, Banfill.

NAYS, 20.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Kempton, Normandin.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Rogers.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Straw, Emerson, Crane.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Gorham, Kenney, Sheridan of Manchester, Tobin, Godbout, McCarthy, Blais.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—King, Whitman.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Nelson.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Mooney.

COOS COUNTY.—Hutchins, McHugh.

and a quorum of the House not being present at 4.50 o'clock the House was declared adjourned and the bill went over into unfinished business.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Davis of Derry was granted leave of absence for the day on account of attendance at court.

PETITION PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Straw of Hopkinton, Petition of citizens of Hopkinton protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee has examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

Senate Bill No. 2, An act in amendment of the charter of the Whitefield village fire district.

Senate Bill No. 3, An act to change the name of Montgomery lake in the town of Whitefield to Burns lake.

House Bill No. 43, An act to authorize the stockholders of the Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank to change the name of said institution.

House Bill No. 108, An act in amendment of Chapter 139 of the Laws of 1919, relating to taxation of street railways.

House Bill No. 165, An act relating to the valuation of bonds and other securities held by life insurance companies, assessment life associations and fraternal beneficiary associations.

House Bill No. 299, An act to establish the city of Claremont.

House Bill No. 92, An act in amendment of Chapter 43 of the Public Statutes relating to duties of town officers.

House Bill No. 120, An act repealing Chapter 98 of the Laws of 1907, and changing the fiscal year of the state.

House Bill No. 130, An act in amendment of Section 5

of Chapter 165 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 35 of the Laws of 1917 in relation to the expenses of savings banks.

House Bill No. 289, An act to encourage the reproduction of pine on cut over pine lands through the leaving of seed trees.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Bill No. 316, An act to repeal Chapter 209 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An act to establish Union School District in Bath," reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, for the Committee on Forestry, to whom was referred House Bill No. 308, An act to designate the state treasurer, as custodian of United States funds allotted to the forestry department, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Damon of Fitzwilliam for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 339, An act to amend Section 50, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 158, An act in amendment of Chapter 57 of the Laws of 1919, relating to partnership and business name registration, reported the same in new draft, with new title and with the

recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 26, Joint resolution in favor of making permanent repairs on the Lake Shore road in the town of Pittsburg, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Damon of Fitzwilliam, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 160, An act in amendment of the Laws of 1915, Chapter 133, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to the killing of deer in Hillsborough county, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House Bill No. 247, An act to provide in certain employments a forty-eight hour week for women and minors under eighteen years of age, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill favorably reported by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 40, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Warner leading from

Henniker to Bradford, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 216, An act to provide for better protection from accidents resulting from operation of motor vehicles, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 245, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1913, and Chapter 91 of the Laws of 1919 and Chapter 4 of the special session of 1919, relating to poll tax, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 296, An act relating to the laying out of highways in the city of Nashua, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Winn of Nashua, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua, to whom was referred House Bill No. 265, An act to increase the salary of the mayor of the city of Nashua, reported the same in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill, with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 338, An act to amend an act passed at the January session, 1921, providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years.

Amend the bill by striking out all of said bill after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 1. Amend Section 1 of an act approved February 17, 1921, providing for the election of selectmen of towns for a term of three years, by adding at the end thereof the following,—*Provided, however,* that such elections shall be by plurality vote in towns which under existing statutes elect such officers in that manner; so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. Every town, at the annual meeting in 1921, shall choose, by ballot and by major vote, three selectmen, one to hold office for three years, one for two years and one for one year, and thereafter at every annual meeting one selectman shall be so chosen to hold office for three years. The selectmen shall manage the prudential affairs of the town and perform the duties by law prescribed. A majority of the selectmen shall be competent to act in all cases, *Provided, however,* that such elections shall be by plurality vote in towns which under existing statutes elect such officers in that manner.

SECT. 2. Further amend said act by inserting after Section 1 a new section to be known as Section 2, as follows: SECT. 2. Vacancies in the board shall be filled by the remaining selectmen. Such selectmen thus chosen shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the town.

SECT. 3. Further amend said act by renumbering the original Section 2 so that it shall be Section 3.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the House con-

curred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester called for the unfinished business, Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

With a roll call pending.

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester withdrew his demand for the yeas and nays.

On a *viva voce* vote the negative prevailed.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester asked for a division.

A division being had, the vote was declared manifestly in the affirmative and the bill passed and was sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Cotton of Nashua called for the special order, House Bill No. 172, An act to regulate the hours of work for women and minors under eighteen years of age in manufacturing establishments.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority, that it is inexpedient to legislate, be substituted for the report of the majority, that the bill ought to pass?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion to substitute did not prevail.

Mr. Tuck of Concord offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by inserting after Section 1 a new section to be known as Section 2, as follows:

SECT. 2. Any person or corporation violating any provision of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty or more than one hundred dollars.

And by renumbering the original Section 2 so that it

shall be Section 3 and the original Section 3 so that it shall be Section 4.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Hecker of Manchester moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

On a *viva voce* vote the affirmative prevailed.

Mr. Newell of Newport called for a division.

A division being had, 133 members voted in the affirmative and 194 members voted in the negative and the bill was denied a third reading.

Mr. Donnelly of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result:

YEAS, 129.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Colcord of Candia, Brown of Epping, Fellowes, Parker, Pridham, Rousseau, Sanborn of Newmarket, Andrews, Dow, Ibbotson, Hett, Linchey, Heffernan, Schurman, Cox, Kelley of Sandown.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Wentworth, Durnin, Tuttle of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Haley, Gelinas, Rainville, Leary, Boucher, Letourneau, Parsons, Perreault.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Kempton, Normandin, Carter, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Blue, Leavitt of Effingham, Palmer, Rogers.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Colby, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Newton, Thayer, Tuck, Kelley of Concord, Sargent of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Clough, Garneau, Thompson, Straw, Sargent of Northfield, Bates, Cass of Pembroke, Forcier.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Rockwood, Brooks of Greenfield, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Burman, Merrill, Broderick, Gorham, Heffron, Jennings, Kelley of Manchester, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Tobin, Johnston, Rainford, Streeter, Godbout, McCarthy, Richard of Manchester, Chevrette, Donnelly, Smith of Manchester, Sullivan of Manchester, Dobbie, Maloney, Hecker, Larivee, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Cote, Lamy, Maynard, Rajotte, Francoeur, Gagnon, Gauthier, Janelle, Avard, Boivert of Nashua, Lampron, Richard of Nashua, Foisie, Earley, Sullivan of Nashua, O'Neil, Cotton, Morse of Nashua, Hallisey, Ravenelle, Winn, Aubut, Larouche, Pelletier, Soucy, Frost of Pelham.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Hall, King, Wells.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Kelley of Canaan, Dane, Haskell of Holderness, Sara.

COOS COUNTY.—Sheridan of Berlin, Seymour, Simonds, McHugh, Long.

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Flanders, Fiske, Collins, Scott, Angell, Hunt of Derry, Hatch, McReel, Frost of Fremont, Randall, Cole of Hampton, Stevens of Kingston, Davenport, Doe of Newfields, Towle, Fernald, Benfield, Hodgdon, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Jenness, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Smith of Seabrook, Pearson, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Foss, Reynolds, Smart, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Houston, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Knox, Berry of New Durham, Evans, Meader, McDuffee, Doe of Rollinsford, Yeaton, Preston of Strafford,

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Page, Tarlson, Avery of Laconia, Tilton, Trapp, Philbrook, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Gordon, Wilson.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Ela, Head, Perkins, Morey, Gray of Jackson, Schenck.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Farnum, Mason of Canterbury, Call, Robinson, Swenson, Amsden, Danforth, Otis, Brown

of Concord, Leavitt of Concord, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Bartlett of Franklin, Murdock, Otterson, Ladd, Emerson, Crane, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Bell of Bennington, Ellsworth, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Greer, Boisvert of Greenville, Adams of Hancock, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Spalding, Cilley, Lord of Manchester, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Kimball of Manchester, Allen of Manchester, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Eaton of Mason, Young of Merrimack, Lovejoy of Milford, McIntire of Milford, Ordway, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Jackman of Nashua, Hooper, Walker, Derby, Nichols, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Lewis, Damon, Wilder, Tuttle of Harrisville, Booth, Donahue, Moore, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Fay, Swan, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Sawtell, Lane.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Davidson, Varney of Claremont, Brooks of Claremont, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Nelson, Porter, Lovejoy of Lempster, Dodge of Newport, Kendall, Newell, Chellis, Philbrick, Osborn, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Pattee, Blandin, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Jackman of Enfield, Rudd, Pariso, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Allen of Haverhill, Carr, Davison, Ross, Fogg, Batchelder, Hunkins, Mooney, Morse of Littleton, Pushee, Frazer, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Steele, McLinn, Libbey, Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.—Carpenter, Beaudoin of Berlin, Oleson, Hill, Stevens of Colebrook, Cass of Columbia, Hamlin, Bedell, Forbes, Grannis, Cole of Milan, Christopher, Marshall, Blodgett, Rix, Banfill, Brown of Whitefield.

Mr. Willey of Newmarket voting yes was paired with Mr. Rice of Keene voting no.

Mr. Barrett of Troy voting yes was paired with Mr. Clow of Wolfeboro voting no.

And the bill was denied a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.15 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

CONCORD, N. H., MARCH 2, 1921.

Mr. John S. Childs,
Hillsborough, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Wednesday afternoon. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene, the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 296, An act relating to the laying out of highways in the city of Nashua.

House Bill No. 308, An act to designate the state treasurer, as custodian of United States funds allotted to the forestry department.

House Bill No. 316, An act to repeal Chapter 209 of the Laws of 1895 entitled, "An act to establish a Union School district in Bath."

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolution, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 120, An act repealing Chapter 98 of the Laws of 1907, and changing the fiscal year of the state.

House Bill No. 50, An act relating to fishing in lake Baboosic.

House Bill No. 131, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Newcastle to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness, as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 145, An act to change the name of Mosquito pond in Manchester.

House Bill No. 147 (in new draft), An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of the Spanish War Veterans and American Legion.

House Bill No. 180, An act referring to taxation of the Danbury Light and Power Company.

House Bill No. 278, An act to amend Section 17 (a), Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919 relating to fish and game.

House Bill No. 287, An act to provide for the patrol of forest lands in order to prevent the occurrence and spread of forest fires.

House Bill No. 312, An act to change the name of Baboosic road between Manchester, and Milford to that of the Horace Greeley highway.

House Bill No. 301, An act designating the Daniel Webster highway.

House Joint Resolution No. 54, Joint resolution in favor of the estate of James A. Gallagher.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill, with amendment, in the passage of which amendment, the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants.

Amend said bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Examinations shall be held as often as may be deemed necessary in the judgment of said commissioners, but not less frequently than once in each year if there be applicants. These examinations shall be given by one or more examiners appointed by said commissioners; and such examiners shall be skilled in the art of accounting, and shall have previously been engaged in the practice of public accounting. Such examinations shall include the subjects of theory of accounts, practical accounting, auditing, commercial law as affecting accountancy, and such other subjects as said commissioners may deem necessary. Examinations shall be open to any citizen of the United States or person who has in good faith declared his intention of becoming such citizen, who is a legal resident of New Hampshire, being over twenty-one years, of good moral character, who shall have a general education equivalent to a public high school course of recognized standing, who shall have had at least four years' accounting experience or instruction, and who shall have paid to said commissioners a fee of twenty-five (25) dollars. If the applicant fails to pass the examination, he shall, without any additional fee, be entitled to take one more examination at any time at which there are other applicants to be examined.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Concord, the House refused to concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate and asked for a committee of conference.

The Speaker appointed as confrerees on the part of the House, Messrs. Brown and Thayer of Concord and Fay of Keene.

The message further announced that the Senate has voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bills, in the adoption of which amendments, the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 79, An act in amendment of Chapter 309 of the Session Laws of 1915 entitled, an act in amendment of an act entitled, an act to incorporate Laconia Lodge No.

876 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, passed at the session of the legislature in 1915.

Amend the title of the bill by striking it out and inserting in place thereof the following:

An act relating to the powers of Laconia Lodge, No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 2 of Chapter 248 of the Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 309, Laws of 1915, by striking out the words and figures "fifty thousand dollars ($50,000)" and inserting in place thereof the words and figures, one hundred fifty thousand dollars ($150,000), so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 2. Said corporation may purchase, take, and hold by deed, gift, or devise, or otherwise, real and personal estate in the name of the corporation to an amount not exceeding one hundred fifty thousand dollars ($150,000), and may improve, sell and convey the same property at its pleasure. They shall have all the rights and powers and be subject to the same duties as corporations of a similar nature, and may make such by-laws and regulations as they are authorized to make by the Grand Lodge of the Order not inconsistent with the laws of this state, and may perform any other business not inconsistent with the rules of the Grand Lodge or the statutes of this state.

On motion of Mr. Normandin of Laconia the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 297, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee.

Amend the bill by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof a new title as follows:

An act to amend Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee.

Further amend said bill by striking out the first 5 lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend the first paragraph of Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, by striking out in line thirteen the word "seven" and inserting in place thereof the words twenty-five.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 298, An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 2555 of the Laws of 1861 as amended by the Session Laws of 1903, relating to the charter of the Alpha Delta Phi Society.

Amend the title by striking it out and inserting in place thereof a new title as follows:

An act to amend the charter of the Alpha Delta Phi Society.

Amend the bill by striking out the first two lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 2 of Chapter 2555 of the Laws of 1861, as amended by Chapter 238 of the Laws of 1903, by striking out the words.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed a bill with the following title, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 9 (in new draft), An act to amend Chapter 50, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils, by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 9, An act to amend Chapter 50, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils, by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Young of Merrimack offered the following resolution:

Whereas, there has been a discontinuance of agents at many railroad stations in the rural towns of New Hampshire, to the great inconvenience of the citizens of those towns and to the traveling public, with the prospect that further curtailment of railroad service must follow by reason of the deplorable financial condition of the Boston and Maine Railroad and other New England railroads; and

Whereas, the Boston and Maine Railroad by the terms of the Transportation Act, or its administration by the Labor Board in Chicago, or both, find they are unable to give relief to the citizens of those towns;

Therefore, be it Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate and the House of Representatives of New Hampshire that it is imperative that Congress take immediate action to so amend the Transportation Act as to give railroads more freedom of action as adapted to the conditions of different localities in the country, or pass such new legislation as will enable the New England railroads to continue serving the public under private ownership.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each of the New Hampshire Senators and Representatives in Congress with an earnest request that they use their best efforts to secure the relief requested for the citizens of New Hampshire.

The question being on the resolution.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester, the resolution was laid upon the table and made a special order for Thursday, March 3 at 11.01 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.30 o'clock the House adjourned out of respect to the memory of Hon. Champ Clark.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1921.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

The following telegram was read by the clerk:

WASHINGTON, D. C., MARCH 3, 1921.

Mr. John S. Childs,
Hillsborough, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Thursday. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Ahern of Concord offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock, that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock.

The question being on the resolution:

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Booth of Hinsdale, Petition of Men's Club of Congregational Church of Hinsdale protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Straw of Hopkinton, Petition of Baptist Church of Contoocook protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bill:

House Bill No. 338, An act to amend an act passed at the January session 1921 providing for the election of selectmen of towns to hold office for a term of three years.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Bill No. 263, An act relating to the encouragement of the New Hampshire Assessors' Association reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 293, An act relating to time limit for adjusting and paying fire losses reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 331, An act in amendment of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 273 of the Laws of 1907, relating to the charter of the Underwriters' Fire Insurance Company reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill 332, An act to authorize the Manufacturers & Merchants Mutual Insurance Company to make and effect insurance on motor vehicles, their fittings and contents, and use and occupancy against loss or damage resulting from accident, theft, collision or other causes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 333, An act in amendment of Chapter 314 of the Laws of 1913, in relation to the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 334, An act in amendment of Chapter 175 of the Laws of 1887, relating to the Capital Fire Insurance Company of Concord, N. H., reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee for the Committee on Public Health to whom was referred House Bill No. 320, An act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Appropriations reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 340, An act to provide for the completing of the indexing of the records of Strafford county, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to a special committee consisting of the Strafford county delegation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Strafford.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations reported the following entitled bill, House Bill

No. 341, An act to increase the bounty on wildcats, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Cilley of Manchester for the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 51, Joint resolution providing for the making of improvements, purchase of property and necessary repairs, upon the buildings and grounds of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at the Weirs for the years 1921 and 1922, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Brown of Whitefield, for the Committee on State Prison reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 342, An act in amendment of Chapter 120 of the Session Laws of 1909 providing for a board of parole, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. McHugh of Gorham, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 343, An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of drugs and medicines with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Bill No. 153, An act

to increase the bounty on wildcats, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate; the subject matter being covered by a bill introduced by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Cilley of Manchester for the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House Bill No. 156, An act to exempt from taxation the home of the John J. Maguire Post, No. 28, American Legion of Pembroke, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by a bill already passed by the House.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. McReel of Exeter for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 46, Joint resolution providing for a special commission to make recommendations to the legislature of 1923 relating to dangerous grade crossings, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being already provided for by authority vested in the Public Service Commission.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. McReel of Exeter for the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House Bill No. 164, An act to amend Chapter 157, Section 15 of the Public Statutes of New Hampshire, relating to title of railroads by adverse possession, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor to whom was referred House Bill No. 106, An act to define the rights of trade unions, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned for a minority of the Committee on Labor to whom was referred House Bill No. 106, An act to define the rights of trade unions, being unable to agree with the majority reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

RAYMOND S. COTTON.
For a minority of the Committee.

Mr. Cotton of Nashua moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Cotton.

Mr. Morey of Hart's Location moved that the bill and reports be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, March 16 at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Cotton.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Bridgman of Hanover moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Cotton.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution of the committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

FORWARDING OF BILL.

House Bill No. 170, An act in amendment of Section 10, Chapter 30, Laws of 1915 relating to the salary of the judges of municipal courts.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amend-

ment offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 184 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 279 of the Laws of 1889 as amended by Chapter 265 of the Laws of 1891 and by Chapter 167 of the Laws of 1905 in relation to the charter of the Nashua Trust company.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 2 of Chapter 279, Laws of 1889, as amended by Chapter 265, Laws of 1891, and Chapter 167, Laws of 1905, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 2. Said company shall have a capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) divided into shares of one hundred dollars ($100) each with authority to increase the capital stock to two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) and it may acquire and hold real estate for its own use, exclusive of such real estate as may be taken in good faith for debt or held as collateral security, to the amount of its capital stock and unimpaired surplus, provided that this amount may be increased if approved by the bank commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate has passed the following House Bill in Senate new draft, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 270 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915; Chapter 224, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919 relating to state aid for highways.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 12 (in new draft), An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 12, An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester called for the special order, the resolution relating to curtailment of railroad service.

The question being on the resolution,

Mr. Kenney moved that the resolution be laid upon the table but subsequently withdrew his motion.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough the resolution was laid upon the table pending the report of the commission recently appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 170 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Section 10, Chapter 30, Laws of 1915 relating to the salary of the judges of municipal courts.

House Bill No. 263, An act relating to the encouragement of the New Hampshire Assessors' Association.

House Bill No. 293, An act relating to time limit for adjusting and paying fire losses.

House Bill No. 320, An act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea.

House Bill No. 331, An act in amendment of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 273 of the Laws of 1907 relating to the charter of the Underwriters' Fire Insurance Company.

House Bill No. 332, An act to authorize the Manufacturers & Merchants Mutual Insurance Company to make and effect insurance on motor vehicles, their fittings and contents, and use and occupancy against loss or damage resulting from accident, theft, collision or other causes.

House Bill No. 333, An act in amendment of Chapter 314 of the Laws of 1913 in relation to the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire.

House Bill No. 334, An act in amendment of Chapter 175 of the Laws of 1887 relating to the Capital Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Lovejoy of Milford:—

Resolved, That the use of Representatives' Hall be granted The Farm Bureaus for a conference of delegates from the Eastern section of the New England States, and New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania, for Thursday evening, March 10th.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield at 12.22 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1921.

The House met at 9:30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following telegram was read by the clerk:

WASHINGTON, D. C., MARCH 4, 1921.

Mr. Charles A. Haskell,
Holderness, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Heath of Bristol at 9:31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1921.

The House met at 7:30 o'clock according to adjournment. The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., MARCH 7, 1921.

Mr. Charles A. Haskell,
Holderness, N. H.

DEAR SIR:

I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and business in order at 11 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to Public Schools, reported the same, in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft, ought to pass.

ALBERTUS T. DUDLEY.
JOSEPH S. OTIS.
DANIEL CARR.
WILLARD R. HARRIS.
EDWARD A. HASKELL.
JOSEPH W. C. IBBOTSON.
FRANK H. CHALLIS.
WILLIAM F. HOWES.
EMERSON A. QUIMBY.
CHARLES H. PATTEE.
FOREST J. HALL.
JOHN G. TOWLE.
GEORGE A. PUSHEE.
W. H. KIMBALL.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill at 7.33 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Hiram H. Appelman of Manchester.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Cobb of Bartlett, Lamy of Manchester and Dow of North Hampton were granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Fogg of Lincoln was granted leave of absence for Thursday and Friday on account of important business.

Messrs. McIntire of Milford and Etsler of Claremont were granted leave of absence for the week on account of illness.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Straw of Hopkinton, Petition of Free Baptist Church of Hopkinton protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

By Mr. Philbrook of Laconia, Petition of citizens of Laconia protesting against any change in the Sunday law.

Severally presented and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 25, Joint resolution in aid of the town of Lebanon in building a bridge across the Mascoma river, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 16, Joint resolution to assist the town of Merrimack in the erection of a concrete arch bridge in the town of Merrimack, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 56, Joint resolution to provide for the protection of the state boulevard in Hampton, with the recommendation that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 36, Joint resolution to assist the town of Freedom in the erection of a permanent bridge in the town of Freedom, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 344, An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent construction of highway bridges throughout the state, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 31, Joint resolution to reimburse the town of Orford for damages to Connecticut river bridge caused by auto truck of State Highway Department, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor to whom was referred House Bill No. 214, An act to provide for the weekly payment of all state employees except salaried officers, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Danforth of Concord, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Concord to whom was referred House Bill No. 87, An act to establish a police commission for the city of Concord under Laws of 1913, Chapter 148, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Danforth of Concord for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Concord to whom was referred House Bill No. 242, An act providing for the election of certain city officials for the city of Concord reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 158, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, relating to trade names of individuals, partners and others.

House Bill No. 265, An act to increase the salary of the mayor of the city of Nashua.

House Bill No. 341, An act to increase the bounty on wildcats.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 118, An act relating to the authority of the state treasurer to borrow money on the state's credit in certain cases.

House Bill No. 296, An act relating to the laying out of highways in the city of Nashua.

House Bill No. 303, An act to sever certain lands from the school district of the town of Hillsborough and to annex the same to the Hillsborough Bridge special school district.

House Bill No. 318, An act in amendment of the charter of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company, authorizing said company to increase its capital stock.

House Bill No. 319, An act to authorize the Granite State Fire Insurance Company to do a sprinkler leakage, explosion, riot and civil commotion and registered mail business.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill, with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for naming of highways.

Amend said bill by adding at the end of Section 3 the following: "nor shall any highway be named after a living person." So that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 3. No name for a highway shall hereafter be selected which is already in use as the name of a highway in the same county, nor shall any highway be named after a living person.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House refused to concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate and asked for a committee of conference.

The Speaker appointed as conferees on the part of the House Messrs. Newton of Concord, Ross of Lebanon and Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following House Bill in Senate new draft in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 85, An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes, relating to the times

and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Chapter 122, Laws of 1917, relating to the school year.

Senate Bill No. 18, An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 78 of the Laws of 1897, in relation to caucuses and elections.

Senate Bill No. 19, An act to legalize the annual meetings of the Lancaster village fire precinct.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Chapter 122, Laws of 1917, relating to the school year.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 18, An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 78 of the Laws of 1897, in relation to caucuses and elections.

Senate Bill No. 19, An act to legalize the annual meetings of the Lancaster village fire precinct.

Severally read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester,—

Resolved, That the use of Representatives Hall be granted to the State Conference of Social Work on Tuesday evening, March 15, 1921, for a public meeting.

On motion of Miss Doe of Rollinsford at 11.43 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 265, An act to increase the salary of the mayor of the city of Nashua.

House Bill No. 341, An act to increase the bounty on wildcats.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 158, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, relating to trade names of individuals, partners and others.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time by its title. The bill was then passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen at 3.11 o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Abbot of Wilton was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Poor of Landaff was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of sickness in his family.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Ahern of Concord made a statement regarding the introduction of House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools, on Monday night.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the Committee on Engrossed Bills had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

House Joint Resolution No. 54, Joint resolution in favor of the estate of James A. Gallagher.

House Bill No. 50, An act relating to fishing in Lake Baboosic.

House Bill No. 131, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Newcastle to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 144, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Merrimack county.

House Bill No. 145, An act to change the name of Mosquito pond in Manchester.

House Bill No. 178, An act relating to insurance companies.

House Bill No. 180, An act referring to taxation of the Danbury Light and Power Company.

House Bill No. 237, An act to regulate fishing in Profile lake in the town of Franconia.

House Bill No. 260, An act authorizing the Boston & Maine Railroad further to unify its system by purchasing or merging the Nashua & Acton and Sullivan county railroads and certain subsidiary roads in the state of Vermont.

House Bill No. 287, An act to provide for the patrol of forest lands in order to prevent the occurrence and spread of forest fires.

House Bill No. 312, An act to change the name of the Baboosic road between Manchester and Milford to that of the Horace Greeley highway.

House Bill No. 79, An act relating to the powers of Laconia Lodge, No. 876, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

House Bill No. 184, An act in amendment of Chapter 279 of the Laws of 1889 as amended by Chapter 265 of the Laws

of 1891 and by Chapter 167 of the Laws of 1905 in relation to the charter of the Nashua Trust Company.

House Bill No. 215, An act in amendment of Chapter 10 and of Chapter 107 of the Public Statutes, relative to the commission of lunacy.

House Bill No. 297, An act to amend Chapter 22, Laws of 1815, relating to the First Congregational Society in Ossipee.

House Bill No. 298, An act to amend the charter of the Alpha Delta Phi society.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 150, An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, relating to the burial of certain soldiers and sailors, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 37, Joint resolution providing for permanent headquarters in the state house for the state of New Hampshire Department of the American Legion, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 10, Joint resolution in favor of Granite State Deaf Mute Mission, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 19, Joint resolution in favor of New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 29, Joint resolution providing for additional compensation for the compilation and preparation of a digest of the Supreme Court decisions, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by adding after the word "reimbursement" in line 12, the words "not to exceed five thousand dollars" so that said joint resolution as amended shall read as follows:

That whereas, in pursuance of Laws of 1913, Chapter 237, a contract has been entered into between the state of New Hampshire and Crawford D. Hening for the compiling of digest of the decisions of the Supreme Court:

And whereas, the time required for said work and the expense involved therein was underestimated by both parties:

And whereas, the increased cost of paper and other materials and of the labor entering into the said work has greatly increased since the making of said contract:

Be it resolved, That it is just and equitable that upon the completion of said compilation, an additional compensation or reimbursement, not to exceed five thousand dollars, should be made to the said Crawford D. Hening, and the governor is hereby authorized to pay such additional sum as to him shall seem fair and reasonable out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 98, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, in relation to the New Hampshire Law Reports, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by inserting after the word "courts" in line 16 the following: "to the office of register of probate in each county" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. Amend Laws 1919, Chapter 3, Section 10, by striking out the whole section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 10. The decisions of the supreme court shall be published in volumes entitled "New Hampshire Reports." The size, style and price of the volumes shall be prescribed by the justices of the court. The state reporter shall publish the New Hampshire reports and provide for the sale thereof, and may dispose of the copyright as he shall deem expedient. He shall pay each month into the state treasury all money received from such sales from subscriptions. He shall deliver to the secretary of state four hundred copies of each volume of said reports upon publication and the secretary shall send one copy thereof to each of the following officers and bodies: Justices and clerks of the supreme and superior courts, to the office of register of probate in each county, state reporter, each free public library established under the laws of the state, the town clerk of each town having no free public library, the department of justice, clerk of the supreme court of the United States, library of Congress at Washington, the judge and clerk of the district court of the United States for the district of New Hampshire and the state library of each state in the United States. He shall deposit the residue in the state library.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 305, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 245 of the Public Statutes, relating to trustee process, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary,

to whom was referred House Bill No. 324, An act to amend Chapter 30, Section 9, of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to municipal courts, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 270 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, Chapter 224, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating to state aid for highways, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 345, An act to provide for deficiencies in the appropriations for certain departments and institutions for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to open season on deer, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 347, An act to enable the town of Stratford to issue water bonds to the amount of $115,000, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 348, An act to enable the town of Rollinsford and the city of Dover to contract in relation to protection against fire, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 349, An act relating to the salary of the deputy register of probate of the county of Merrimack, without recommendation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend the joint resolution by striking out the words and figures "five hundred dollars ($500.00)" and inserting instead thereof the words "two hundred dollars ($200.00)"; so that said joint resolution as amended shall read as follows:

"That the sum of two hundred dollars $200.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated in favor of Aud Russell to be paid to reimburse him for expenses and losses sustained by him as a result of his automobile being run into by a truck belonging to the state highway department on August 7, 1920, in the town of Andover.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 18, An act to establish a continuous highway from the South Side road in Milford to the Massachusetts state line at

Townsend, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Bill No. 311, An act to establish a continuous highway from the Lake Sunapee road at Bristol to the Daniel Webster highway at Meredith, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 295, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the South Side road in Raymond to the junction with the Central road in Epsom, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 4, An act in relation to building and loan associations and in amendment of Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment and the recommendation that the amendment be adopted.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by adding at the end of said section the words, "at a time" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 6 of Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes by striking out the word "twenty-five" in that section and substituting therefor the word "fifty", so that said section as amended shall read as follows: Sect. 6. No person shall hold more than fifty shares of the capital stock of any one such corporation at a time.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 23, Joint resolution to recognize as official an illustrated guide of New Hampshire, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 41, Joint resolution relating to the expenses of the commissioners on uniform state laws, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 72, An act relating to office hours of registers of deeds and registers of probate, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 267, An act to amend Chapter 241 of the Acts of 1891 relating to the city of Rochester, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 273, An act to revise the charters of all cities in the state of New Hampshire, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads,

Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Bill No. 307, An act establishing and changing the present location of the Rocky Pond road, so-called, connecting the Central road at Concord with the Daniel Webster highway at Laconia, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth, for the special committee, consisting of the delegation from the city of Portsmouth to whom was referred House Bill No. 115, An act relating to the powers of the board of public works of the city of Portsmouth, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 322, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 67 of the Public Statutes, entitled "powers of selectmen in laying out highways."

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following house bills, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 213, An act to amend an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge, No. 1, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, enacted by the legislature of the state of New Hampshire June 22, 1821.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge, No. 1, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, enacted by

the legislature of New Hampshire, June 22, 1821, is hereby amended by striking out the words "three thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the words, one hundred thousand dollars, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. Be it enacted, by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, that Samuel Larkin, James Ladd, Samuel Cushman, and all persons who may hereafter become members of said lodge be, and they hereby are incorporated and made a body corporate and politic forever, by the name of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire. And the said body corporate is hereby empowered to hold and possess real and personal estate, not exceeding in value, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and is vested with all the powers, rights and privileges, incident to corporations of a similar nature.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 278, An act to amend Section 17, (a) Chapter 133, Laws of 1915 as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game.

Amend the bill by striking out the first five lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 17, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Sections 10 and 11, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Sections 2 and 10, Chapter 152, Laws of 1919, by striking out all of sub-division (a) and inserting in place thereof the following: (a) sable, otter, fisher, mink, martin, muskrat, skunk, or fox as may be taken and

On motion of Mr. Lord, of Manchester, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed

the following joint resolution, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolution in favor of the members of the New Hampshire State Guard.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolution in favor of the members of the New Hampshire State Guard.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Callahan of Keene offered the following resolutions:

Whereas, It appears that all necessary legislative work may be easily accomplished by Wednesday, April 6, *proximo*, therefore be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the present session of the legislature be brought to final adjournment on Wednesday, April 6, *proximo*, at five o'clock in the afternoon, and be it further

Resolved, That all reports, bills and joint resolutions pending at that time in either branch of the legislature be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the resolution.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord,

Resolved, That the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations report to this House a statement of the requests made by the various state departments and institutions for maintenance and expenses for the year 1921–22 and 1922–23, and also an estimate of the special requests made by measures before the legislature.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning, it adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock and when it adjourns Friday morning it be to meet Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 20, An act in amendment of Chapter 184, Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 221, Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapter 329, Laws of 1903, as amended by Chapter 330, Laws of 1911, renewing certain rights, powers and privileges of the Dalton Power Company.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 20, An act in amendment of Chapter 184, Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 221, Laws of 1899 as amended by Chapter 329, Laws of 1903, as amended by Chapter 330, Laws of 1911, renewing certain rights, powers and privileges of the Dalton Power Company.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and business in order at 3 o'clock made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 98, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, in relation to the New Hampshire Law Reports.

House Bill No. 115, An act relating to the powers of the board of public works of the city of Portsmouth.

House Bill No. 150, An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, relating to the burial of certain soldiers and sailors.

House Bill No. 305, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 245 of the Public Statutes relating to trustee process.

House Bill No. 324, An act to amend Chapter 30, Section 9, of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to municipal courts.

House Joint Resolution No. 10, Joint resolution in favor of Granite State Deaf Mute Mission.

House Joint Resolution No. 19, Joint resolution in favor of New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

House Joint Resolution No. 29, Joint resolution providing for additional compensation for the compilation and preparation of a digest of the Supreme Court decisions.

House Joint Resolution No. 37, Joint resolution providing for permanent headquarters in the state house for the state of New Hampshire Department of the American Legion.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 270 (in senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, Chapter 224, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating to state aid for highways.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Rice of Keene, at 12.20 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON N. H., MARCH 11, 1921.

Hon. John H. Brown,
Concord, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,
FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill at 9.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

Mr. Samuel A. Lovejoy,
Milford, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me, and oblige,

FRED A. JONES.
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Richmond at 7.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Rainford of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Adams of Pittsfield was granted leave of absence for Tuesday and Wednesday on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 58, Joint resolution in favor of the Grand Army of the Republic, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 350, An act authorizing the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, N. H., to increase its guaranty capital

with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 351, An act providing for the erection of standard highway danger signals, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Chapter 122, Laws of 1917, relating to the school year, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for a majority of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 196, An act relating to the abolition of divorces in the state of New Hampshire, and repeal of Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 of Chapter 175 of the Public Statutes, having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 196, An act relating to the abolition of divorces in the state of New Hampshire, and repeal of Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Chapter 175 of the Public Statutes, being unable to agree with the majority, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

F. E. NORMANDIN.

Mr. Callahan of Keene moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority, and with this motion pending moved that the bill and reports be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, March 16, at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Callahan of Keene called for a division. A division being had 202 members voted in the affirmative and 42 members voted in the negative and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Normandin of Laconia, for the special committee, consisting of the delegation from the city of Laconia, to whom was referred House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 297 of the Laws of 1915 relating to the Laconia school district reported the same in a new draft, with a new title, and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Meader of Rochester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Strafford, to whom was referred House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden, incident to the trial of State *v.* John E. Weeden, for manslaughter, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Sherry of Dover offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out lines one, two and three of Section 1, and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. The police commissioners of the city of Somersworth, in the county of Strafford and state of New Hampshire, are hereby authorized to approve and to pay, not exceeding" so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The police commissioners of the city of Somersworth, in the county of Strafford and state of New Hampshire, are hereby authorized to approve and to pay, not exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, bills for preparation for trial, procuring witnesses, counsel fees and other expenses incurred by John E. Weeden in defending himself against a charge of manslaughter, upon which he was tried and acquitted in said county in October, 1920. Said charge having been preferred against him by reason of his having shot and killed a man, while he, the said John E. Weeden, was in the performance of his duty as a police officer of the city of Somersworth, in said county and state of New Hampshire.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover, the bill with the amendment pending was recommitted to the special committee consisting of the delegation from Strafford county.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 345, An act to provide for deficiencies in the appropriations for certain departments and institutions for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921.

House Bill No. 347, An act to enable the town of Stratford to issue water bonds to the amount of $115,000.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Callahan of Keene offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that we recommend the appointment by the Governor of a committee of ten members to be chosen from both church and state in New Hampshire, to consider changing the divorce laws of the state, they to report with recommendations to the legislature of 1923 for consideration.

The question being on the resolution.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, offered the following amendment: Amend said resolution by striking out the words

"members to be chosen from both church and state in New Hampshire."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The question being on the resolution.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was not adopted.

Mr. Ahern of Concord called for a division.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Abbot of Wilton moved that with the division pending the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The question being on the motion.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill, with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 316, An act to repeal Chapter 209 of the Laws of 1895 entitled "An act to establish Union School district in Bath." Amend said bill by adding at the end thereof the following: SECT. 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate has voted to accede to the request of the House of Representatives for a committee of conference on the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for the naming of highways, and the president has appointed Senators Garland and Emerson as members of such committee on the part of the Senate.

House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registering of public accountants, and the president has appointed Senators Symonds and Fairbanks as members of such committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bridgman of Hanover at 11.52 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

House Bill No. 345, An act to provide for deficiencies in the appropriations for certain departments and institutions for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921.

House Bill No. 347, An act to enable the town of Stratford to issue water bonds to the amount of $115,000.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Chapter 122, Laws of 1917, relating to the school year.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate has passed the following House Bill (in Senate new draft), in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads.

BILL READ.

House Bill No. 255 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads.

The bill was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. Lord of Manchester presented the following:

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Hon. Fred A. Jones,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Concord, N. H.

DEAR SIR: Complying with the resolution adopted March 10th by the House, I submit the following statement:

The resolution does not call for any estimate of the income of the State. In examining the many calls on the treasury of the State, it would be convenient for the members to have the income, as estimated by the treasurer, before them: so I submit the same.

1921–1922

State Tax, if same as in year 1920–1921	$1,700,000.00
Estimated revenue for general purposes (same as for year ending August 31, 1920)	1,222,632.69
Lapsed appropriations for same year (see Treasurer's Report, Page 97)	78,769.25
	$3,001,401.94

1922–1923

Same as above (less lapsed appropriations)	$2,922,632.69
Total for the two years	$5,924,034.63

ESTIMATES BY DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS FOR EXPENSES AND MAINTENANCE

Departments and Institutions	*Year ending June 30, 1922*	*Year ending June 30, 1923*
Executive Department	$38,600.00	$38,600.00
Secretary of State	25,250.00	29,650.00
Treasury Department	18,000.00	16,000.00
Insurance Department	14,800.00	15,250.00
Bank Commission	17,400.00	17,400.00
Public Service Commission	34,700.00	34,700.00
Lights and Buoys	2,015.00	2,015.00
Tax Commission	18,800.00	18,800.00
State Purchasing Agent	13,850.00	13,850.00
Attorney General's Department	28,900.00	29,400.00
Enforcement Prohibitory Law	14,600.00	15,000.00
Supreme Court	30,275.00	30,275.00
Superior Court	31,500.00	31,500.00
Probate Court	11,300.00	11,300.00
Probate Court, Register	12,800.00	12,800.00
Legislature	5,000.00	175,000.00
State Board of Education	672,000.00	672,000.00
Board of Charities and Correction	6,300.00	7,000.00
Child Welfare Work	7,000.00	7,000.00
Tubercular Patients	30,000.00	30,000.00
Indigent, Crippled and Tuberculous Children	4,000.00	4,000.00
Register of the Blind	7,000.00	7,000.00
Income John Nesmith Fund	3,700.00	3,700.00
Deaf, Dumb and Blind, Support and Education	24,000.00	24,000.00
Granite State Deaf Mute Mission	150.00	150.00
Bureau of Labor	10,300.00	10,700.00
Factory Inspection	8,400.00	8,400.00
Free Employment Bureau	4,200.00	4,200.00
Department of Weights and Measures	15,100.00	15,100.00
Department of Agriculture	20,100.00	21,100.00
Animal Industry	61,000.00	61,000.00
Apple Grading Law, etc.	21,550.00	21,250.00
Board of Health	27,150.00	28,350.00
Laboratory of Hygiene	17,200.00	17,200.00
Department of Vital Statistics	2,800.00	4,800.00
Lunacy Commission	3,000.00	3,500.00
Adjutant General's Department	73,900.00	73,900.00
Forestry Department	67,300.00	68,100.00

Departments and Institutions	*Year ending June 30, 1922*	*Year ending June 30, 1923*
Highway Department	$375,000.00	$375,000.00
Bounties—Hedgehogs, Bears and Grasshoppers	3,800.00	3,800.00
Department of Indexing	1,200.00	1,200.00
G. A. R. Department	2,150.00	2,150.00
Fish and Game Commission		
Pharmacy Commission	1,325.00	1,325.00
State Dental Board	1,000.00	1,000.00
Board of Optometry	500.00	500.00
State House Department	32,925.00	32,925.00
State Library	18,000.00	18,000.00
Public Library Commission	3,600.00	3,900.00
Soldiers' Home	25,000.00	25,000.00
New Hampshire College	561,945.00	460,160.00
State Hospital	375,000.00	375,000.00
Industrial School	87,000.00	55,000.00
State Prison	52,000.00	52,000.00
School for Feeble Minded	221,500.00	125,000.00
State Sanatorium	51,000.00	51,000.00
Interest Charges	75,426.48	75,076.48
Maturing Bonds,	85,000.00	85,000.00
Miscellaneous:		
Dartmouth College	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Military Organizations	300.00	300.00
Firemen's Relief Fund	4,000.00	4,000.00
New Hampshire Historical Society	500.00	500.00
Old Home Week Association	300.00	300.00
Prisoner's Aid Association	200.00	200.00
Mecical Referees	50.00	50.00
Totals	$3,397,661.48	$3,347,376.48
To these totals should be added—under interest charges, on Piscataqua Bridge Bonds	25,000.00	23,750.00
under maturing bonds, on Piscataqua Bridge Bonds	25,000.00	25,000.00
	$3,447,661.48	$3,396,126.48
and there should be deducted the New Hampshire College deficiency, which appears later in a corrected amount	122,000.00	
Corrected Totals	$3,325,661.48	$3,396,126.48

REQUESTS MADE BY DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS FOR APPROPRIATIONS TO COVER DEFICIENCIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1921.

Executive Department	$2,000.00
Department of Agriculture (Animal Industry)	35,000.00
Deaf, Dumb and Blind (support and education)	2,000.00
State House Department	4,700.00
State Hospital	25,000.00
School for Feeble Minded	25,000.00
State Sanatorium	15,000.00
Soldiers' Home	5,000.00
New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts	112,318.00
State Board of Education	246,000.00
Total	$472,018.00

LIST OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS ASKED FOR.

H. B. No.		*Year ending June 30, 1922*	*Year ending June 30, 1923*
4	Revision of Public Statutes, est.	$50,000.00	
15	Register of Probate, salary (Sullivan County)	875.00	$700.00
18	Highway, Milford to Townsend	indefinite	
22	Topographic Maps	10,000.00	10,000.00
29	Highway to Echo Lake in Lempster	indefinite	
30	" Wilton to Ashby	"	
32	Woman Factory Inspector	3,750.00	3,000.00
44	Highway, Carroll to Randolph,	indefinite	
55	" Hudson to Tyngsboro	"	
66	Regulate practice of Chiropractic	not to exceed fees	
67	Bridges across Conn. River in Walpole	indefinite	
71	Publication of Statutes, Journals and Reports	"	
82	Highway, New London to Grantham	"	
93	" Winchester to Warwick	"	
94	" Groveton to Pontook Falls	"	
98	Publication of New Hampshire Law Reports	3,400.00	
104	Highway, Walpole to Lebanon	indefinite	
161	" Manchester to Bradford	"	
162	" Derry to Atkinson	"	
163	" Gorham to Gilead, Me.	"	

H. B. No.	*Year ending June 30, 1922*	*Year ending June 30, 1923*
193 Conservation New Hampshire Water Power	$1,000.00	$1,000.00
199 Tax on transfer at death of personal property of non-residents	2,000.00	2,000.00
208 Diseases of Domestic Animals	150,000.00	150,000.00
231 Salaries of Officials, increase	10,900.00	10,900.00
234 Regulate manufacture and sale of beverages, ice-cream and candy	7,000.00	6,000.00
236 Register of Probate, salary (Strafford County)	625.00	500.00
244 Wage Commission, estimated	5,000.00	5,000.00
274 Bridge Maintenance, Walpole	indefinite	
279 Deputy Register of Probate (Hillsborough County)	500.00	400.00
285 Forest Fire Districts	1,500.00	1,500.00
286 New Forest Nursery	8,000.00	
295 Highway, Raymond to Epsom	indefinite	
311 " Bristol to Meredith	"	
326 Register of Probate (Grafton County)	300.00	300.00
327 New Dormitory at Keene	175,000.00	
342 Board of Parole	1,000.00	1,000.00
343 To regulate the practice of Pharmacy	1,000.00	1,000.00
344 Highway Bridges	100,000.00	100,000.00
345 General Deficiency Bill	113,700.00	
New Bill—To increase salary of State Indexer	1,800.00	1,800.00
H. J. R. No.		
2 To assist the Town of Richmond	4,500.00	
4 To reconvene Constitutional Convention	4,000.00	
5 Blair Portrait	500.00	
6 Highway in Carroll	1,500.00	1,500.00
7 " " Jefferson	5,000.00	5,000.00
8 " " Brookfield	200.00	200.00
9 " " Thornton and Sandwich	500.00	500.00
10 Granite State Deaf Mute Mission	150.00	150.00
12 Highway in Alexandria	200.00	200.00
14 State Sanatorium	146,800.00	
16 Bridge in Merrimack	10,000.00	
17 State Hospital	183,500.00	
19 New Hampshire College	112,318.00	
20 Advanced stages of Tuberculosis	50,000.00	50,000.00

H. J. R. No.	Year ending June 30, 1922	Year ending June 30, 1923
21 Highway in Milan	$1,000.00	$1,000.00
22 " " Franklin, and repair to Webster Birthplace	12,000.00	
24 Bridge in Dalton	25,000.00	
25 " " Lebanon	15,000.00	
26 Highway in Pittsburg	3,500.00	3,500.00
28 In favor of Aud Russell	200.00	
29 Digest of Decisions, compensation for	5,000.00	
30 Industrial School	32,000.00	
31 Damages to Bridge in Orford	1,000.00	
32 To purchase right of way in Seabrook.	5,850.00	
36 Bridge in Freedom	1,500.00	
42 Bridges in Goshen	5,000.00	
43 Stream Flow Gaging Stations	4,000.00	
44 Department of University Extension.	2,000.00	2,000.00
45 State Prison	16,300.00	
47 300th Anniversary Celebration	500.00	
48 School for Feeble Minded	96,500.00	
49 In favor of F. J. Mattoon	100.00	
51 Purchase of Land at The Weirs	5,000.00	5,000.00
52 New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts	364,645.00	393,060.00
53 Highway in Whitefield	500.00	500.00
55 Laboratory of Hygiene at Manchester	3,000.00	3,000.00
56 Breakwater-Town of Hampton	10,000.00	
S. B. No.		
1 Absent voters		3,000.00
7 Legislative Drafting and Reference Bureau	50,000.00	10,000.00
12 To free Eliot Toll Bridge	6,000.00	
Totals	$1,832,113.00	$773,710.00

SUMMARY

	1921–1922	*1922–1923*
Estimates by departments and institutions for expenses and maintenance	$3,325,661.48	$3,396,126.48
Deficiency Appropriations for year 1921.	472,018.00	
Special Appropriations asked for	1,832,113.00	773,710.00
	$5,629,792.48	$4,169,836.48

	1921–1922	*1922–1923*
From these totals should be deducted duplications, where the same amounts are shown in both the budget estimates and special requests.....	$857,463.00	$473,660.00
	$4,772,329.48	$3,696,176.48
Deducting the estimated income and lapsed appropriations, see Page 1...	1,301,401.94	1,222,632.69
Leaves the amount to be raised by State Tax, if all requests are granted.....	$3,470,927.54	$2,473,543.79

A further summary may be of interest to the House, as illustrating the financial situation.

If we consider only the requests by departments and institutions, and the deficiency bills to cover the expenses of the current year, not taking into account any new legislation, the summary will show as follows:

	1921–1922	*1922–1923*
Estimated by departments and institutions.....	$3,325,661.48	$3,396,126.48
Deficiencies.....	472,018.00	
	$3,797,679.48	$3,396,126.48
Estimated revenue and lapsed appropriations.....	1,301,401.94	1,222,632.69
State Tax.....	$2,496,277.54	$2,173,493.79

Since this statement was made up I have been informed by His Excellency, the Governor, that he has received letters from several of the departments and institutions, stating that they expect to be able to reduce their budget estimates to some extent.

Respectfully submitted

HARRY T. LORD, *Chairman,*
Committee on Appropriations.

CONCORD, N. H.
MARCH 15, 1921.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the clerk was instructed to procure 600 additional copies of the report printed separately.

On motion of Mr. Straw of Hopkinton at 3.45 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Ellsworth of Deering was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Head of Eaton was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of sickness in his family.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

Senate Bill No. 10, An act to establish a finance commission in the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 118, An act relating to the authority of the state treasurer to borrow money on the state's credit in certain cases.

House Bill No. 296, An act relating to the laying out of highways in the city of Nashua.

House Bill No. 303, An act to sever certain lands from the school district of the town of Hillsborough and to annex the same to the Hillsborough Bridge special school district.

House Bill No. 318, An act in amendment of the charter of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Company, authorizing said company to increase its capital stock.

House Bill No. 319, An act to authorize the Granite State Fire Insurance Company to do a sprinkler leakage, explosion, riot and civil commotion, and registered mail business.

House Bill No. 322, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 67 of the Public Statutes entitled "Powers of selectmen in laying out highways."

The report was accepted.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham, for the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House Bill No. 302, An act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham for the Committee on Agriculture to whom was referred House Bill No. 325, An act repealing Chapter 33, Section 1, Laws of 1893, as amended, relating to compensation for cattle killed, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 339, An act to amend Section 50, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, providing for a license to take lobsters, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to open season on deer, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "first" in line seven and inserting in place thereof the word "fifteenth", by striking out the word "first" in line eight and inserting in place thereof the word "sixteenth", and by striking out the word "Grafton" in line twelve, so that said section as amended shall read as follow:

SECT. 1. Amend Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws

of 1915 by striking out subdivisions (a) and (b) and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 14 (a) Wild deer may be captured or taken after five a. m. and before six p. m. as follows: in the county of Coos, from the fifteenth day of October to the first day of December; in the counties of Grafton and Carroll from the fifteenth day of November to the sixteenth day of December; and from all other counties in the state from the first day of December to the first day of January.

(b) No person shall take more than two such deer in any one season from the territory consisting of the counties of Coos, and Carroll; and no person shall take more than one such deer from the territory consisting of all the other counties in the state; but not more than two such deer shall be taken within the confines of the state in any one season. The provisions of this section shall not apply to deer in private game reserves.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company, reported the same, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 107, An act in amendment of Chapter 86 of the Laws of 1919 relating to motor vehicles engaged in the carriage of passengers for hire, reported the same, with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by inserting after Section 1 the following section to be numbered Section 2:

SECT. 2. Section 4 of said Chapter 86 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"It shall be the duty of the county solicitor in each county

to enforce the provisions of this chapter," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 4. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars. It shall be the duty of the county solicitor in each county to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

Further amend said bill by renumbering Section 2, Section 3.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Bell of Laconia, for the Committee on School for Feeble Minded, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 48, Joint resolution in favor of the School for Feeble Minded, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 48, by striking out the words "for remodeling Quimby building, including new kitchen, and the installation of a refrigerating plant, eighty thousand dollars," so that said resolution as amended shall read as follows:

That the following sums be and hereby are appropriated for the School for the Feeble Minded.

For the purchase of the Marshall farm, twelve thousand dollars; for repairs and furniture, two thousand dollars; for tractor, ploughs and equipment, twenty-five hundred dollars. The same to be expended under the direction of the trustees for the School for Feeble Minded, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham, for the Committee on Agriculture, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 59, Joint resolution appropriating money

for agricultural fairs in New Hampshire, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 352, An act to incorporate the Etna and Hanover Central Telephone Company, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended, and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 353, An act to incorporate as a religious society the First Baptist Society of Farmington, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 354, An act to incorporate the Knights of Columbus Home Association, Keene, N. H., with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Brooks of Claremont, for the Committee on Incorporations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 355, An act to incorporate the Ossipee group of the

Young Men's Christian Association, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 356, An act in amendment of Section 13, Chapter 27 of the Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1909, relating to street railway companies, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 188, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1893, relating to the liability of towns, reported the same in a new draft, with a new title and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester, the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of reports from a committee, not previously advertised.

Mr. Collins of Danville, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 99, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the sub-

ject matter being covered by a bill introduced by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Collins of Danville, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 231, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by a bill introduced by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Collins of Danville, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Callahan of Keene, for the special committee consisting of the delegations from Keene and Swanzey to whom was referred House Bill No. 300, An act to improve and protect the sewerage and drainage systems of the city of Keene, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Hillsborough, to whom was referred House Bill No. 8, An act in amendment of Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1903, Chapter 22 of the Laws of 1907, Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1909, Chapters 2, 44 and 136, of the Laws of 1913, Chapter 201

of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 45 of the Laws of 1919 relating to county commissioners, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 333, An act in amendment of Chapter 314 of the Laws of 1913 in relation to the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire.

House Bill No. 332, An act to authorize the Manufacturers & Merchants Mutual Insurance Company to make and effect insurance on motor vehicles, their fittings and contents, and use and occupancy against loss or damage resulting from accident, theft, collision or other causes.

House Bill No. 331, An act in amendment of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 273 of the Laws of 1907, relating to the charter of the Underwriters' Fire Insurance Company.

House Bill No. 256, An act in amendment of Section 1, of Chapter 249 of the Session Laws of 1919, entitled "An act authorizing the Nashua Manufacturing Company to increase and classify its capital stock."

House Bill No. 205, An act to amend Section 32, subdivision b, of the Fish and Game Laws of 1919–1920, relating to the taking and possession of pickerel.

House Bill No. 16 (in new draft), An act relative to the incorporation and management of credit unions.

House Bill No. 54 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Section 9, Chapter 357, Laws of 1917, entitled "An act to incorporate the Marlborough Water Works Company."

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the

following entitled bill, with amendment in the passage of which amendment, the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115, of the Public Statutes, relating to the investigation of the causes of fires.

Amend said bill by adding after the word "is" in the seventh line of Section 1 the word "endangered," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 1. Amend Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes by adding thereto after Section 24, the following section:—

SECT. 25. The Insurance Commissioner may, whenever he deems it expedient or advisable, examine or cause to be examined the cause, circumstances and origin of all fires occurring in the cities and towns within the state, of which he has knowledge, by which property is endangered, damaged, or destroyed, and may specially examine and decide whether the same was the result of carelessness or design. The Insurance Commissioner shall, when in his opinion said proceedings are necessary, take or cause to be taken the testimony on oath of all persons supposed to be cognizant of any facts or to have means of knowledge in relation to the matters as to which such examination is made, and may cause the same to be reduced to writing. If he shall be of the opinion that there is evidence sufficient to charge any person with the crime of arson or incendiarism, he shall cause such person to be arrested and charged with such offence, and shall furnish to the proper county attorney all such evidence, together with the names of witnesses and all information obtained by him, including a copy of all pertinent and material testimony in the case.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover, the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following bill, with amendment in the passage of which

amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 147, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 150, of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of the Spanish War Veterans and American Legion.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by inserting after the word "incorporated" in the eighth line of said section the words "and personal property owned" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof a new section as follows:

SECTION 1. The personal property of institutions devoted to educational purposes, charitable and religious societies, and of temperance societies, incorporated within this state, and the real estate owned and occupied by them, their officers, or their students for the purposes for which they are incorporated, and personal property owned and real estate owned and occupied by the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, or the American Legion, shall be exempt from taxation, provided none of the income or profits of the business of such corporations or institutions is divided among the stockholders or members, or is used or appropriated for other than educational, charitable, or religious purposes, and provided further, that in each case such exemption is limited to $150,000. Towns are hereby authorized to increase such exemption to such an amount as they may vote, by a majority of those present at any regular town meeting, acting under an article duly incorporated in the warrant for said meeting; and cities are authorized to increase such exemptions to such an amount as the city government may vote and the mayor approve.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester, the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed the following entitled bill in the passage of which, it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 22, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to liability for neglect to repair.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 22, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to liability for neglect to repair.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Barrett of Dover offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that the Committee on Education be and hereby is ordered to report back to this House, House Bill No. 80, An act to repeal Chapter 106 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the public schools and establishing a state board of education and House Bill No. 266, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919 relating to public schools and establishing a state board of education.

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the resolution was laid upon the table.

Mr. Blais of Manchester offered the following resolution:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

For the purpose of settling the controversy between the W. H. McElwain Company, Manchester, N. H. and its employes.

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That *Whereas*, a strike has been in progress in the factory of W. H. McElwain & Company in the city of Manchester, New Hampshire, county of Hillsborough, for the past two months, and

Whereas repeated efforts have been made by the State Labor Commissioner and other agencies to adjust the controversy existing between the W. H. McElwain Company and its employees in the said city of Manchester without success, and

Whereas this controversy has caused considerable loss to the business men of the city of Manchester, we feel that the time has arrived when something should be done to settle this dispute, therefore

Be it resolved, That the Speaker of the House be authorized to appoint four members to form a committee to work with a committee of three to be appointed by the president of the Senate to form a joint committee to investigate at once the differences of said strike and the causes leading thereto and see what can be done to bring about an amicable adjustment of this controversy.

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester, called for a division.

A division being had, 198 members voted in the affirmative and 90 members voted in the negative and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Blais of Manchester, demanded the yeas and nays and the roll was called with the following result:

YEAS, 204.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Flanders, Colcord of Candia, Fiske, Collins, Scott, Angell, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Brown of Epping, Dudley, Frost of Fremont, Randall, Cole of Hampton, Stevens of

Kingston, Davenport, Andrews, Dow, Towle, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Gove, Jenness, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Smith of Seabrook, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Reynolds, Shackford, Barrett of Dover, Houston, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Knox, Hartford, Berry of New Durham, Haley, Evans, Meader, McDuffee, Lowe, Woodward, Yeaton, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Page, Tarlson, Tilton, Philbrook, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Gordon, Wilson, Carter, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Ela, Phelps, Perkins, Morey, Gray of Jackson, Blanchard, Hodsdon, McCrillis, Schenck, Clow.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Farnum, Colby, Cummings, Mason of Canterbury, Robinson, Swenson, Amsden, Otis, Newton, Leavitt of Concord, Tuck, Clarke, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Gilchrist, Murdock, Sargent of Northfield, Ely, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Brooks of Greenfield, Boisvert of Greenville, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Spalding, Cilley, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Lord of Manchester, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Brown of Manchester, Challis, Garmon, Haselton, Kimball of Manchester, Streeter, Allen of Manchester, Appelman, Ordway, Kittredge, Winslow, Jackman of Nashua, Hooper, Walker, Derby, Peaslee of Weare, Abbot of Wilton.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Lewis, Pierce of Dublin, Damon, Wilder, Tuttle of Harrisville, Booth, Donahue, Mower, Fay, Hall, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Sawtell, Lane, King, Whitman, Barney of Winchester, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Davidson, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Putnam of Claremont, Quimby, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Nelson, Porter, Lovejoy of Lempster, Chellis, Osborne.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Blandin, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Jackman of Enfield, Pariso, Dane, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Carr, Davison, Poor, Messenger, Ross, Batchelder, Hunkins, Morse of Littleton, Pushee, Frazer, Harris, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Libbey.

COOS COUNTY.—Beaudoin of Berlin, Hutchins, Hill, Stevens of Colebrook, Cass of Columbia, Hamlin, McHugh, Grannis, Cole of Milan, Marshall, Rix, Stone of Stark, Banfill, Brown of Whitefield.

NAYS, 81.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Fellowes, Daniell, Parker, Fish, Doe of Newfields, Rousseau, Sanborn of Newmarket, Ibbotson, Linchey, Benfield, Hodgdon, Heffernan, Cox, Kelley of Sandown, Pearson.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Sherry, Durnin, Gelinas, Doe of Rollinsford, Rainville, Parsons, Perreault.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Kempton.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Leavitt of Effingham, Palmer, Rogers.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Call, Danforth, Kelley of Concord, Lee, Ahern, Jordan, Straw, Ladd, Emerson, Crane, Bates, Cass of Pembroke.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Rockwood, Adams of Hancock, Gile, Burman, Merrill, Gorham, Jennings, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Johnston, Godbout, McCarthy, Sullivan of Manchester, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Hecker, Larivee, Blais, Leahy, Mullen, Lamy, Maynard, Francoeur, Gagnon, Gauthier, Avard, Boivert of Nashua, Lampron, Foisie, Cotton, Winn, Frost of Pelham.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Callahan, Barrett of Troy, Wells.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Barney of Claremont, Dodge of Newport, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Haskell of Holderness, Sara, Fogg, Price, Mooney, Mason of Lyman, McLinn.

COOS COUNTY.—Carpenter, Sheridan of Berlin, Oleson, Willett, Christopher, Kimball of Stratford.

And the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Davison of Haverhill at 12.43 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill the rules were suspended and the order whereby House Bill No. 355, An act to incorporate the Ossipee group of the Young Men's Christian Association was laid upon the table to be printed was vacated.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 107, An act in amendment of Chapter 86 of the Laws of 1919, relating to motor vehicles engaged in the carriage of passengers for hire.

House Bill No. 302, An act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds.

House Bill No. 325, An act repealing Chapter 33, Section 1, Laws of 1893, as amended, relating to compensation for cattle killed.

House Bill No. 339, An act to amend Section 50, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919 providing for a license to take lobsters.

House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to an open season on deer.

House Bill No. 354, An act to incorporate the Knights of Columbus Home Association, Keene, N. H.

House Bill No. 355, An act to incorporate the Ossipee group of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Thayer of Concord offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be and hereby is directed to obtain from the justices of the supreme court at the earliest possible date their opinions upon the following questions:

1. Does the annexed bill, Senate Bill No. 1, in new draft, "An act to permit absent voters and voters who by reason of physical disability are unable to vote in person to vote at the biennial election," now pending in the House of Representatives contain any provisions in violation of the state or federal constitutions?

2. If the annexed bill contains any provisions in violation of the state or federal constitutions, can persons who on the day of the biennial election are absent from the towns in which they are qualified voters, be authorized by the legislature to vote, so that their votes will be valid and effective in the same way as though they had voted at the polls in person?

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Heath of Bristol, at 3.15 o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Burman of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Tuck of Concord rose to a question of personal privilege and disclaimed all knowledge of certain propaganda relating to the various Sunday bills now before the House which was being circulated anonymously.

PRESENTATION OF FLOWERS.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, on behalf of the members of the House, presented bouquets of pinks to Messrs. Etsler of Claremont, Chevrette of Manchester and Parker of Hampton Falls, the occasion being the anniversary of the birth of the several gentlemen.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 255, An act in amendment of Chapter 96, Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of state roads.

House Bill No. 316, An act to repeal Chapter 209 of the Laws of 1895 entitled "An act to establish union school district in Bath."

House Bill No. 213, An act to amend an act to incorporate St. John's Lodge No. 1, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, enacted by the legislature of the state of New Hampshire, June 22, 1821.

House Bill No. 278, An act to amend Section 17, (a)

Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to fish and game.

House Bill No. 301, An act designating a Daniel Webster highway.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 342, An act in amendment of Chapter 120 of the Session Laws of 1909, providing for a board of parole, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution to assist the town of Richmond in paying a part of the expense for damages incurred by severe storm in August, 1920, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 202, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the office of attorney general, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 47, Joint resolution providing for an appropriate celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of New Hampshire, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the words "except for actual necessary expenses, and in furtherance of its work the Governor is authorized to draw his warrant

upon the treasury for a sum or sums not exceeding five hundred dollars out of any money not otherwise expended," so that said joint resolution as amended shall read:

Whereas, the first white settlements in New Hampshire were made at Portsmouth and Dover in 1623, and the 300th anniversary thereof will occur two years hence, in 1923, and whereas the formal and fitting observance of the anniversaries of important historic events stimulates and strengthens the patriotic spirit of the people, a commission of five members shall be appointed by His Excellency the Governor, with whom he shall also act as chairman ex-officio whose duty it shall be to provide for the proper observance of this great anniversary by securing, in due season, the preparation of an historical address adapted to the occasion by some citizen or native of the state well qualified for the service, to be delivered by him at a formal celebration, on some date in Old Home Week in 1923, and to arrange with the authorities of the cities of Portsmouth and Dover the preliminaries of such celebration. Said commission shall serve without compensation.

This joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 19, An act to legalize the annual meetings of the Lancaster village fire precinct, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House Bill No. 350, An act authorizing the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, N. H., to increase its guaranty capital, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance,

to whom was referred House Bill No. 128, An act for the supervision and regulation of rates for workmen's compensation insurance, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "as" in the eighth line the words "just and reasonable and," and by inserting after the word "is" in the eleventh line the words "unjust, unreasonable or" and by inserting after the word "are" in the fifteenth line the words "greater or," and by inserting after the word "less" in the sixteenth line the words "or different," and by inserting after the word "as" in the seventeenth line the words "just, reasonable and," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Every insurance company, corporation or association or other insurer, herein called "insurer" which insures employers against liability for compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act shall file with the insurance commissioner, herein called "commissioner," its classification of risks and premium rates, together with basic rates and schedule or merit rating, if a system of schedule or merit rating be in use, none of which shall take effect until the commissioner shall have approved the same as just and reasonable and adequate for the risks to which they respectively apply. The commissioner may withdraw his approval of any premium rate or schedule made by any insurer, if in his judgment, such premium rate or schedule is unjust, unreasonable or inadequate to provide for the obligations assumed by the insurer.

On and after July first, one thousand and nine hundred and twenty-one, no such insurer shall issue, renew, or carry any insurance against liability under the Workmen's Compensation Act at premium rates which are greater or less or different than those approved by the commissioner for such carrier as just, reasonable and adequate for the risks to which they respectively apply; *provided*, that if the commissioner shall have previously approved a system of schedule or merit rating, filed with him by any insurer, the same may

be applied to risks subject thereto only by a regional rating bureau approved by the commissioner for the uniform and impartial application thereof. The adjusted rate arrived at by any reduction or increase from the basic rate filed with and approved by the commissioner, in the application of such system of schedule or merit rating, shall be clearly set forth in the insurance contracts or in the endorsement attached thereto.

Any insurer violating the provisions of this act shall be subject to a fine of five hundred dollars for the first offense and for a subsequent offense to such fine and or a suspension or revocation of its license by the commissioner.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 348, An act to enable the town of Rollinsford and city of Dover to contract in relation to protection against fire, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 110, An act amending sub-section (b) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 259, An act in amendment of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the state tax commission, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the words "further amend said section by adding after the words 'expenses of the commission,' the words 'when away from

their place of residence'" in the third and fourth lines; also amend said section by striking out the word "nine" in the eighth line and inserting in the place thereof the words "not exceeding nine hundred dollars per annum"; also amend said section by striking out the word "fifteen" in the ninth line and inserting in the place thereof the words "to be fixed by the governor and council; also amend said section by striking out the words "when away from their place of residence" in the fourteenth and fifteenth lines, and by striking out the words "not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per annum" in the nineteenth and twentieth lines, and inserting in the place thereof the words "to be fixed by the governor and council"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 7 of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911 by substituting the word "monthly" for the word "quarterly" wherever it appears in said section; further amend said section by adding after the words "appoint a" in the last sentence thereof the following, "chief clerk who shall also serve as"; and further amend said section by substituting for the words "not exceeding nine hundred dollars per annum" in the last sentence thereof the words "to be fixed by the governor and council,"so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

SECT. 7. The annual salary of the secretary of the commission shall be three thousand dollars, and of each of the other members of the commission, twenty-five hundred dollars, and such shall be paid from the state treasury in equal monthly payments. Supplies required by the commission, and necessary expenses of the commission, and such assistants as may be employed, while on the business of the commission, and fees of witnesses summoned by the commission shall be paid by the state upon the approval of the governor and council. Said commission may appoint a chief clerk who shall also serve as stenographer at a salary to be fixed by the governor and council, which shall be paid from the state treasury in equal monthly payments, and,

with the approval of the governor and council, such other assistants as may be necessary.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 258, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1917 relating to municipal accounts, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the words "which may at any time audit said accounts" in the fifth and sixth lines of said section and by inserting instead thereof the following: "and said commission may at any time audit any accounts which are required by law to be audited by the auditors of counties, cities, towns, school districts, village precincts, or departments thereof"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Strike out Section 1 of said act and substitute therefor the following: SECTION 1. The accounting officers of the several counties, cities, towns, school districts, village precincts, and departments thereof, within the state shall keep uniform accounts in a manner prescribed by the state tax commission and said commission may at any time audit any accounts which are required by law to be audited by the auditors of counties, cities, towns, school districts, village precincts, or departments thereof. Said accounting officers shall on or before the first day of March each year return to the office of the tax commission summaries on blanks furnished by it, of uniform accounts prescribed by it, showing the transactions of said counties and municipalities during their last fiscal year and their condition at the close thereof.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary,

to whom was referred House Bill No. 246, An act in relation to Dartmouth College and being an amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 43, Laws of 1893, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by adding thereto a new section:

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage, but may at any time be altered, amended or repealed by the legislature.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 200, An act in amendment of Chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapters 68 and 138, Laws of 1907, Chapter 104, Laws of 1909, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, Chapters 106 and 116, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to the taxation of legacies and successions, and in amendment of Chapter 116, Laws of 1915, relating to the duties of the assistant attorney general, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the words "one year" in the fifth and thirteenth lines thereof and inserting instead thereof the following: "fifteen months"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 4 of Chapter 40 of the Laws of 1905, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, by striking out the words, "two years after the date of their giving bonds," and inserting in place thereof the words fifteen months after date of decedent's death, and by adding at the end of said section the words, a discount of five per cent. shall be allowed on all taxes paid within sixmon ths after date of decedent's death, so that said section shall read as follows: SECT. 4. All taxes imposed by the provisions of this chapter, including taxes on intermediate estates and remainders as set forth in Section 2, shall be due and payable to the state treasurer by the executors, administrators or

trustees, at the expiration of fifteen months after date of decedent's death. If the probate court has ordered the executor or administrator to retain funds to satisfy a claim of a creditor, the payment of the tax may be suspended by the court to await the disposition of such claim. If the taxes are not paid when due, interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum shall be charged and collected from the time the same became payable; and said taxes and interest shall be and remain a lien on the property subject to the taxes until the same are paid. A discount of five per cent. shall be allowed on all taxes paid within six months after date of decedent's death.

Amend Section 2 of said bill by striking out the word "unless" in the twenty-first line of said section and inserting instead thereof the following: "except to the extent that."

Further amend said section by striking out the word "the" before the word "payment" in the twenty-second line thereof and by striking out the words "of some stated amount or amounts" in the twenty-third line thereof; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 12 of Chapter 40 of the Laws of 1905, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 68, Laws of 1907, and Section 1, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, by striking out the whole section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 12. The state treasurer shall determine the amount of all taxes due and payable under the provisions of this act, and shall certify the amount so due and payable to the executor or administrator, if any, otherwise to the person or persons by whom the tax is payable; but in the determination of the amount of any tax said state treasurer shall not be required to consider any payments on account of debts or expenses of administration which have not been allowed by the probate court having jurisdiction of said estate. The amount due upon the claim of any legatee named in the will, or of any person who is or in the absence of a will would be an heir-at-law or a deceased person, arising under a contract made after the passage of this act

for board, lodging, support, maintenance, or personal care and attention, covering a period of more than six months, shall be subject to the same tax imposed by this chapter upon a legacy or succession of like amount, except to the extent that such claim is evidenced by a writing signed by the decedent containing an agreement for payment at some specified time or times within the decedent's lifetime. Payments of the amount so certified shall be a discharge of the tax. An executor, administrator, trustee or grantee who is aggrieved by any such determination of the state treasurer and who pays the tax assessed or demanded, without appeal may, within one year after the payment of such tax to the treasurer, but not afterwards, apply to the probate court having jurisdiction of the estate of the decedent for the abatement or repayment of said tax or any part thereof, and if the court adjudges that said tax or any part thereof was wrongfully exacted it shall order the repayment of such portion of said tax as was assessed or demanded without authority of law which said order or decree shall be subject to appeal as in other cases. Upon a final decision ordering the repayment of any portion of said tax, the state treasurer shall repay the amount adjudged to have been illegally exacted without any further act or resolve making appropriation therefor. The state treasurer, in his discretion, may abate the tax in any case if in his opinion the tax is not of sufficient amount to justify the labor and expense of its collection, and may do so without requiring executors and administrators to furnish evidence of disbursements in all cases where the total estate is shown by the inventory to be less than two hundred dollars in value.

Amend Section 6 of said bill by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 6. Amend Chapter 40 of the Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapters 68 and 138, Laws of 1907, Chapter 104, Laws of 1909, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, Chapters 106 and 116, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, by adding after Section 22 the following new sections: SECT. 23. Whenever property, real or personal, is held in

the joint names of two or more persons, or is deposited in banks or other institutions or depositories in the joint names of two or more persons and payable to either or the survivor, upon the death of one of such persons the right of the surviving joint tenant or joint tenants, person or persons, to the immediate ownership or possession and enjoyment of such property shall be deemed a transfer taxable under the provisions of this act in the same manner as though the whole property to which such transfer relates was owned by said parties as tenants in common and had been bequeathed to the surviving joint tenant or joint tenants, person or persons, by such deceased joint tenant or joint depositor by will. To the extent that such joint account or property is acquired by the use of the funds of the persons to whom it is payable or by whom it is held, the value of the separate interest of each for the purposes of this act shall be measured by his proportionate contribution to the fund or to the purchase price of the property. SECT. 24. No person or corporation engaged in the business of renting or furnishing safety deposit boxes to its customers or others, for the safe keeping of securities or other papers, shall without the consent in writing of the state treasurer permit any person, except an executor or administrator duly appointed and qualified in this state to remove any of the contents of any such safety deposit box after knowledge of the decease of any person having the right to use the same, whether such deceased person was a resident of this state or not, except the will, if any, of the deceased which may be delivered to the executor named therein. No corporation organized and existing under the laws of this state shall transfer on its books or issue a new certificate for any share or shares of its capital stock standing in the name of a decedent, or in trust for a decedent or belonging to or standing in the joint names of a decedent and one or more persons, and no safe deposit company, trust company, corporation, bank or other institution, person or persons having in possession or under control or custody or partial control or partial custody securities, deposits, assets or property belonging to, or stand-

ing in the name of a decedent who was a resident or non-resident, or belonging to, or standing in the joint names of such a decedent and one or more persons, or which was received from the decedent for delivery to any other person, or is marked or designated for such delivery, including the shares of capital stock of or other interest in, said safe deposit company, trust company, corporation, bank, or other institution, shall, except as hereinafter provided, deliver or transfer the same to any person except a resident executor or administrator of the estate of the decedent without the written consent of the state treasurer or the assistant attorney general. Every person or corporation having the custody or control of such property shall, within 10 days after receiving knowledge of the death of the decedent, notify the state treasurer, and whenever possible prepare and transmit to him an itemized schedule of the property. Upon receipt of such notice the state treasurer in person or by the assistant attorney general or other representative, may examine such securities, deposits, assets, or the records of such safe deposit company, trust company, corporation, bank, or other institution, or person relative thereto and shall as soon as possible notify the holder of the property whether or not a tax will be claimed upon its transfer, and may by an instrument in writing consent to the immediate transfer of such property if, in his judgment, the transfer is not subject to tax. If a tax is claimed by the state treasurer under the provisions of this act the property shall be delivered to the resident executor or administrator of the deceased or held until the tax has been assessed and paid as the circumstances of the case may require, unless the treasurer's claim is overruled by the court in appropriate proceedings. Savings banks, trust companies and all other similar institutions shall when receiving deposits in more than one name ascertain and record the place of residence of the parties, and shall upon request of the state treasurer furnish him with a list of all such deposits, together with the names and addresses of the depositors, and such other information as he may require and the institution is able to furnish. Failure

to comply with the provisions of this section shall render such safe deposit company, trust company, corporation, bank or other institution, person or persons liable to a penalty of not more than one thousand dollars, and in addition thereto for the amount of the taxes, interest and penalties due under this act upon the passing or transfer of said securities, deposits, or other property, and said penalties and liabilities may be enforced in an action brought by the state treasurer.

Further amend said bill by renumbering Sections 8 and 9 so that the same shall be entitled respectively Sections 9 and 10, and by inserting after Section 7 a new section to read as follows:

SECT. 8. Amend Section 20 of Chapter 40 of the Laws of 1905, as amended by Section 9, Chapter 68, Laws of 1907, Section 1, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, and Section 1, Chapter 106, Laws of 1915, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 20. The state treasurer shall be entitled to appear in any proceeding in any court in which the decree may in any way affect the tax. No decree in any such proceeding, or upon appeal therefrom, shall be binding upon the state, and no decree shall be entered upon a petition for leave to file an authenticated copy of a foreign will and the probate thereof, or upon a probate appeal, unless notice of such proceeding shall have been given to the state treasurer.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 91, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes relating to interest and usury, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word "different" in the third line thereof the words "and by adding at the end of said section the words 'in writing'"; further amend said Section 1 of the bill by adding after the

word "stipulated" in the ninth line of said section the words "in writing"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "lower" and substituting in place thereof the word "different," and by adding at the end of said section the words "in writing," so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. In rendering judgments, and in all business transactions where interest is paid or secured, it shall be computed and paid at the rate of six dollars on a hundred dollars for one year, unless a different rate is expressly stipulated in writing.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of said Chapter 203 are hereby repealed, but Chapter 228, Laws of 1917, is hereby continued in full force and effect.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 20, An act in amendment of Chapter 184, Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 221, Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapter 329, Laws of 1903, as amended by Chapter 330, Laws of 1911, renewing certain rights, powers and privileges of the Dalton Power Company, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 174, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1895 as amended by Chapter 9, Laws of 1905, relating to the appointment of bail commissioners, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 157, An act to amend Chapter 51, Section 2, of the Public Statutes as amended by Chapter 47, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1903 and by Chapter 105, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1915 relating to cemeteries, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 328, An act in amendment of Section 29, of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1919 in relation to fees and costs in certain cases, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 358, An act relative to fishing in York pond and tributaries and in Cold brook, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Knox of Madbury, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 359, An act in amendment of Chapter 11, Laws of 1813, approved June 16, 1813, being the charter of Kimball Union Academy, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Concord, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 360, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, relating to the publication of statutes, journals and reports with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 361, An act in relation to the annual report of the board of bank commissioners, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the first reading of bills by their titles made in order.

Mr. Blandin of Bath, for the Committee on Banks, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 362, An act in amendment of Section 3, Chapter 193, Laws of 1917, relating to the appointment of banks and trust companies as trustees with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Blandin of Bath for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred House Bill No. 59, An act to regulate and limit the investments of savings banks, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in the new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 363,

An act to amend Section 7, Chapter 47, Laws of 1913, relating to the construction of dams with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 218, An act in amendment of Chapter 92 of the Laws of 1919 relating to business corporations, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 364, An act to amend Section 19 (d) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the Public Service Commission with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 221, An act relating to the erection of reservoir dams, reported the same in a new draft, with a new title and with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 219, An act in amendment of Section 13 of Chapter 164 of Laws of 1911 relating to public utilities, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new braft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 365, An act authorizing the county of Rockingham to issue bonds to refund bonds of the county becoming due October

1, 1921, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917 relating to the courts, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 367, An act for the apportionment of representation in the House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 84, Laws of 1911, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 368, An act for the protection of deer, with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Barrett of Dover, for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 335, An act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of foreign insurance companies reported the same in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 369, An

act in relation to the payment of wages, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 370, An act relating to the expenditure of state funds in connection with the construction and maintenance of state highways, with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Public Improvements.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee for the Committee on Public Health to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by inserting after the figures "($10,000)" in line twelve the words "for ventilation and repair of the barn and piggery, five hundred dollars ($500); for general repairs and purchase of new furniture, forty-five hundred dollars ($4500)" so that said joint resolution as amended shall read:

That the following sums be and hereby are appropriated for the New Hampshire State Sanatorium; for an infirmary building, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars ($125,000); for a new boiler and setting, three thousand dollars, ($3,000); for a new generator, two thousand dollars, ($2,000); for a sewerage plant, two thousand dollars, ($2,000); for an oven and equipment, eight hundred dollars, ($800); for the purchase of cows for the dairy herd, one thousand dollars, ($1,000); for alterations to the dining-room building, one thousand dollars ($1,000); for a tunnel from the kitchen to the infirmary, two thousand dollars, ($2,000); for furnishings, including an X-Ray machine,

ten thousand dollars ($10,000); for ventilation and repair of the barn and piggery, five hundred dollars ($500); for general repairs and purchase of new furniture, forty-five hundred dollars ($4500); the same to be expended under the direction of the trustees of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium and the Governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee for the Committee on Public Health to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee for the Committee on Public Health to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 6 (in new draft), An act to promote the public health by providing protection for maternity and infancy, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 22, Joint Resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin and the improvement of the highway leading from the Merrimack Valley road to the same, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the figures "$10,000.00" in line three and inserting in place thereof the figures "$5,000.00," so that said joint resolution as amended shall read as follows:

That the sum of $2,000.00 be and is hereby appropriated for the repair of the house and improvement of the farm known as the Webster birthplace, and $5,000.00 be and is hereby appropriated for the permanent construction and improvement of the road in the town of Franklin leading from the Merrimack Valley road, so-called, to the so-called Webster birthplace, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Nothing in this joint resolution shall be construed in any way to relieve the city of Franklin from future maintenance of this highway.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 162, An act to provide for a continuous state highway from a point in the Rockingham state highway in Derry to a point in the state highway in Atkinson, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker for the Committee on Public Improvements to whom was referred House Bill No. 93, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side road in Winchester to the Massachusetts state line at Warwick, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Challis of Manchester for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 371, An act in amendment of Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes relative to clerk hire of the Hillsborough county commissioners, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to the special committee consisting of the Hillsborough county delegation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Hillsborough.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Bill No. 22, An act to provide for the making of topographic maps of the state of New Hampshire, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Bill No. 327, An act providing for the erection of a dormitory at the Keene Normal school, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Knox of Madbury for the Committee on Fisheries and Game to whom was referred House Bill No. 154, An act to amend Section fourteen (14) (a) Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Session Laws of 1917 and 1919 relating to fish and game, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Barrett of Dover for the Committee on Insurance to whom was referred House Bill No. 137, An act relating to foreign insurance companies; their relation to brokers, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor to whom was referred House Bill No. 276, An act to provide

for the weekly payment of wages, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by a new bill reported by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House Bill No. 277, An act to provide for the weekly payment of wages, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by a new bill reported by the committee.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee for the Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred House Bill No. 321, An act regulating the slaughtering and inspecting of meat from neat cattle, sheep and swine, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 183, An act in amendment of Chapter 190, Laws of 1917 relating to surveyors of lumber, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Bill No. 227, An act in regard to salaries of wardens, reported the same without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 198, An act to exempt the Manchester Union Labor Temple Association from taxation, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 210, An act in amendment of Chapter 163 of the Laws of 1911 in relation to employers' liability and workmen's compensation, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 222, An act relating to the erection of dams to raise or regulate the level of public waters, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 88, An act repealing the direct primary and establishing a caucus and convention law, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 89, An act repealing the direct primary and establishing a caucus and convention law, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 105, An act in amend-

ment of Section 5, Chapter 183, Laws of 1911 to provide medical treatment for the victims of industrial accidents, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 155, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to a tax on legacies and successions, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 142, An act in amendment of Chapter 140 of the Public Statutes relating to mortgages of personal property, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 151, An act relative to payments to employees for personal injuries received in the course of their employment, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 5, An act providing that women may hold public office, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary,

to whom was referred House Bill No. 336, An act relating to the making of wills, and in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 186 of the Public Statutes, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 337, An act providing for the establishment of public warehouses in New Hampshire, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 133, An act to authorize and empower the city of Manchester to adopt a council-manager form of government, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 10, An act in amendment to the charter of the city of Manchester, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 5, Joint resolution, providing for the placing in the State House of a portrait of the late Senator Henry W. Blair, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Challis of Manchester, moved that with the resolution pending, the joint resolution be referred to the next legislature.

The question being on the resolution.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred a concurrent resolution recommending the appointment of a committee to consider changing the divorce laws of the state, reported the same with the recommendation that the resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Lane of Swanzey for the Committee on Liquor Laws to whom was referred House Bill No. 314, An act in amendment of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 abolishing the office of state liquor agent, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the words "Abolishing the office of state liquor agent" and inserting in place thereof the following: "Transferring the duties of the state liquor agent to the state commissioner of law enforcement" so that said title as amended shall read as follows:

An act in amendment of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 transferring the duties of the state liquor agent to the state commissioner of law enforcement.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned a minority of the Committee on Liquor Laws to whom was referred House Bill No. 314, An act in

amendment of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 abolishing the office of state liquor agent being unable to agree with the majority reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

FRED D. PIERCE,
A minority of the Committee.

The question being on the amendment reported by the committee.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority and with that motion pending, moved that the bill and reports be laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, March 22 at 11.01 o'clock.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 230, An act in relation to the sale or letting of domestic animals for breeding purposes.

House Bill No. 334, An act in amendment of Chapter 175 of the Laws of 1887, relating to the Capital Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning, it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it be to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of the Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 157, An act to amend Chapter 51, Section 2 of the Public Statutes, amended by Chapter 47, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1903 and by Chapter 105, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1915 relating to cemeteries.

House Bill No. 227, An act in regard to salaries of wardens.

House Bill No. 174, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1895 as amended by Chapter 9, Laws of 1905, relating to the appointment of bail commissioners.

House Bill No. 200, An act in amendment of Chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapters 68 and 138, Laws of 1907, Chapter 104, Laws of 1909, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, Chapters 106 and 116, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to the taxation of legacies and successions, and in amendment of Chapter 116, Laws of 1915, relating to the duties of the assistant attorney general.

House Bill No. 110, An act amending sub-section (b) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities.

House Bill No. 328, An act in amendment of Section 29 of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chap-

ter 59 of the Laws of 1919, in relation to fees and costs in certain cases.

House Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution to assist the town of Richmond in paying a part of the expense for damages incurred by severe storm in August, 1920.

House Joint Resolution No. 47, Joint resolution providing for an appropriate celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of New Hampshire.

House Bill No. 91, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes relating to interest and usury.

House Bill No. 128, An act for the supervision and regulation of rates for workmen's compensation insurance.

House Bill No. 202, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the office of attorney general.

House Bill No. 246, An act in relation to Dartmouth College and being an amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 43, Laws of 1893.

House Bill No. 258, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1917 relating to municipal accounts.

House Bill No. 314, An act in amendment of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 transferring the duties of state liquor agent to the state commissioner of law enforcement.

House Bill No. 342, An act in amendment of Chapter 120 of the Session Laws of 1909, providing for a board of parole.

House Bill No. 348, An act to enable the town of Rollinsford and city of Dover to contract in relation to protection against fire.

House Bill No. 350, An act authorizing the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire, to increase its guaranty capital.

House Bill No. 358, An act relative to fishing in York pond and tributaries and in Cold brook.

House Bill No. 359, An act in amendment of Chapter 11, Laws of 1813, approved June 16, 1813, being the charter of Kimball Union Academy.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 19, An act to legalize the annual meetings of the Lancaster village fire precinct.

Senate Bill No. 20, An act in amendment of Chapter 184, Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 221, Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapter 329, Laws of 1903, as amended by Chapter 330, Laws of 1911, renewing certain rights, powers and privileges of the Dalton Power Company.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 1.25 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., MARCH 18, 1921.

Mr. Calvin S. Anderson,
Richmond, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Kenison of Allenstown at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., MARCH 21, 1921.

Mr. Lansing W. Wilder,
Gilsum, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Alstead at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Carr of Haverhill was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Emerson of Newbury was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 270 (in Senate new draft), entitled An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, Chapter 224, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating to state aid for highways, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment and recommended its adoption.

Amend the bill by striking out the first three lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: SEC-

TION 1. No city or town through which the roads, designated by Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, (as amended by Chapters 164 and 215, Laws of 1917), and Chapter 224, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, pass, shall receive any state aid.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 53, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Whitefield leading from Whitefield village to the proposed Cherry Mountain highway, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. King of Walpole, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 24, Joint resolution for the construction of a bridge crossing the Connecticut river between the town of Dalton, New Hampshire, and the town of Lunenburg, Vermont, reported the same with the following amendment and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said resolution by inserting after the word "Company" in line 5 the following "provided that the town of Dalton and the Fitzdale Paper Company, either or both, pay an additional sum sufficient to complete the construction of said bridge, and further provided that in any event the state shall not pay more than one-third the entire cost

of the construction thereof if the same shall be constructed for less than seventy-five thousand dollars." So that said resolution as amended shall read as follows:

"That a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the construction of a bridge across the Connecticut river between the town of Dalton, New Hampashire and the town of Lunenburg, Vermont, at a point below the dam of the Dalton Power Company; provided that the town of Dalton and the Fitzdale Paper Company, either or both, pay an additional sum sufficient to complete the construction of said bridge, and further provided, that in any event the state shall not pay more than one-third the entire cost of the construction thereof if the same shall be constructed for less than seventy-five thousand dollars; said money, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the supervision of the governor and his council; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same from the money appropriated for highways. The amount to be expended as provided in this resolution shall not exceed one-half the cost of the construction of said bridge."

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 51, Joint resolution providing for the making of improvements, purchase of property and necessary repairs upon the buildings and grounds of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at the Weirs for the fiscal years 1921–1922 and 1922–1923, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the joint resolution in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution in its new draft read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Cilley of Manchester, for the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolution in favor of the members of the New Hampshire State Guard, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said resolution by striking out in line 8 the following, "Who shall have served therein not less than six months," and; further amend by striking out in line 10 the words "excepting rifles"; and further amend by striking out in line 11 the word "emergency"; and further amend by adding after line 12 the following "*Resolved*, That the adjutant general furnish from the appropriation for the maintenance of the State Guard a badge or button indicative of service in the State Guard, to any member thereof, who has been honorably discharged therefrom, said member, making application therefor; and be it further" so that said resolution as amended shall read as follows:

"*That, Whereas*, the members of the New Hampshire State Guard, having served efficiently and faithfully during the years when the state was without the protection of a National Guard organization, and who stood ready at all times to preserve law and order within the boundary lines of the state, some recognition of that service should be made, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the said New Hampshire State Guard, who are in service at the time of disbandment, be allowed to retain their clothing and such equipment as the governor and council, with the advice of the military board, may direct; and be it further

Resolved, That the adjutant general furnish, from the appropriation for the maintenance of the State Guard, a badge or button, indicative of service in the State Guard, to any member thereof, who has been honorably discharged therefrom, said member, making application therefor; and be it further

Resolved, That this Joint Resolution take effect at such

time as the New Hampshire State Guard is mustered out of the service."

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 248, An act in amendment of Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes, relating to offenses against morality and religion, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 251, An act relative to educational lectures and musical concerts of an elevating character, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution on the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee of Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 138, An act to regulate business and sports on the first day of the week commonly called the Lord's day, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 264 of the Public Statutes, relating to the playing of games on Sunday, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

The undersigned, a majority of the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No.

211, An act in amendment of Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes, in relation to disturbance on the Lord's day, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

WALTER M. FLINT,
FRANK H. CHALLIS,
PARDON W. ALLEN,
WILLIAM A. LEE,
WALTER B. SCOTT,
WALTER F. HAIGH,
HARRY W. GILCHRIST,
C. M. AVERY,
FRANK H. PEASLEE,
JOHN W. DERBY.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 211, An act in amendment of Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes in relation to disturbance on the Lord's day, being unable to agree with the majority of the committee, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by adding at the end of line 9 the following: "*provided, however,* that the city government in any city, or the selectmen of a town may upon application, issue a permit for delivering of educational lectures and giving of musical concerts of an elevating nature on Sundays, such lectures and concerts to be conducted under such rules and regulations as said city governments or selectmen may prescribe, not inconsistent with this act." Further amend by striking out all of the paragraph beginning with "Sect. 4" Further amend by striking out all of the paragraph beginning "Sect. 14"; further amend by striking out the words and figures "Sect. 5, Sect. 6, Sect. 7, Sect. 8, Sect. 9, Sect. 10, Sect 11, Sect 12, Sect. 13," and inserting in place thereof the following: "Sect. 4, Sect. 5, Sect. 6, Sect. 7, Sect. 8, Sect. 9, Sect. 10, Sect. 11, Sect. 12" respectively. Further

amend by striking out the figures "5" and "11" in line 53 and inserting in place thereof the figures "4" and "10", so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 1. Amend Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes by striking out Sections 3, 4 and 5 of said chapter and inserting in the place thereof the following new sections:

SECT. 3. No person shall habitually commercialize the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's day, by working at his trade or profession to the disturbance of the peace, except work of actual necessity or mercy, necessary repairs on mills, and the operation of public utilities. No person shall conduct any entertainment on that day at which an admission is charged or taken, *provided, however,* that the city government in any city, or the selectmen of a town may upon application, issue a permit for delivering of educational lectures and giving of musical concerts of an elevating nature on Sundays, such lectures and concerts to be conducted under such rules and regulations as said city governments or selectmen may prescribe, not inconsistent with this act.

SECT. 4. No person shall keep his shop, warehouse, store, cellar, restaurant, office or workshop open for the reception of company, except for the entertainment of boarders, the sale of milk, bread, drugs, medicines, gasolene at retail, and the necessaries of life. The sale of fruits, drinks, confectionery, ice cream, cigars, tobacco, and daily papers may be made at such hours as may be determined and licensed by city governments in cities and the selectmen in towns, such license being granted in writing, and subject to recall at any time by the authorities granting the same.

SECT. 5. In towns and cities which accept the provisions of the following sections of this act, it shall be lawful to take part in or to witness any amateur athletic outdoor sport or game on the Lord's day between the hours of two and six in the afternoon as herein provided. Amateur in this act shall be defined as one in which the contestants do not receive any pecuniary reward, remuneration or consideration whatsoever, directly or indirectly in connection therewith.

SECT. 6. Such sports or games shall take place on such grounds as may be designated for that purpose in a permit or license issued by the city government in cities or the selectmen in towns, and no place shall be designated within one-fourth of a mile of a church or any regular place of public worship.

SECT. 7. No admission fee shall be charged, directly or indirectly, no collection shall be taken; and no fruit, food, or other article shall be sold in connection with any such sport or game, nor shall the same be advertised in any newspaper, or other publication, or by any handbill or other printed notice.

SECT. 8. This act shall not be construed to permit horse racing or automobile racing.

SECT. 9. The authorities authorized to issue said permits may at any time and without previous notice revoke said permits if they have reason to believe that the provisions of this act are being violated, and shall revoke if proof of such violation, that would be acceptable in a court of law, is presented to them.

SECT. 10. The city government in any city or the selectmen in any town, may make rules and regulations for the conduct of said sports and games, not in conflict with any of the provisions of this act.

SECT. 11. Sections 4 and 10 of this act shall take effect for the current in any city upon its acceptance by the city government, and upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters of any city voting thereon at any municipal election it shall take permanent effect in such city; and in any town upon its acceptance by the majority of the voters thereon at an annual or special meeting; and the selectmen of a town shall upon a petition of not less than ten per cent. of the voters thereof, call a special town meeting for the purpose of voting thereon.

SECT. 12. In any city or town, the voters of which have accepted said sections as herein provided, the same shall again be submitted to the voters at the municipal election held in any year subsequent to the year in which it was

accepted, provided that a petition to that effect signed by not less than ten per cent. of the voters, is filed with the city or town clerk not less than thirty days before said election. If upon such resubmission a majority of the voters voting thereon vote against the act, it shall cease to have effect in that city or town until reaccepted as hereinbefore provided.

Further amend by inserting a new section to be numbered Section 2.

SECT. 2. Amend Section 10 of Chapter 271 of the Public Statutes by striking out Section 10 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 10. Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of any section of this act shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars, and for a second offense may be fined and imprisoned in the house of correction for not more than ninety days.

Further amended by renumbering Section 2, "Sect. 3," and by striking out in said section the figure "15" and inserting in place thereof the figure "13," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 3. Renumber Section 6 of said chapter so that it shall read Section 13 and all succeeding sections to follow in their numerical sequence.

Further amend by renumbering Section 3, "Sect. 4."

J. P. KENNEY,
J. BRODERICK,
FRED H. HECKER,
FRED S. FELLOWES,
JOHN T. WINN.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion to substitute.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Rainford of Manchester moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority, that the bill ought to pass be substituted for the report of the majority that it is inexpedient to legislate?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion to substitute did not prevail.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester called for a division.

A division being had 69 members voted in the affirmative and 243 members voted in the negative, and the motion to substitute did not prevail.

The question being on the resolution of the committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes relating to the investigation of the causes of fires, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out in the seventeenth line of Section 1 the word "attorney" and inserting in place thereof the word "solicitor."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. All the rights, powers, privileges and fran-

chises conferred upon the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company by Chapter 208 of the Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapters 204 and 318 of the Laws of 1903, and Chapter 220 of the Laws of 1905, are hereby renewed and extended for a period of ten years from March 1, 1919.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

The undersigned, a majority of the Committee on Public Health to whom was referred House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

BERT P. DOE,
JOHN L. FOSS,
ERNEST L. CROSS,
ARTHUR E. CLARKE,
WALTER S. LIBBEY,
LESTER PHILBROOK
N. ABRAMSON,
HENRY I. HASELTON.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Public Health to whom was referred House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic being unable to agree with the majority reported same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

E. W. HODSDON,
JESSIE DOE,
LEE V. KNAPP,
HENRY H. AMSDEN,
MARY L. R. FARNUM,
CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS,
WALTER R. AVARD.

Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion to substitute.

On motion of Mr. Price of Lisbon, with the motion to substitute pending, the bill was laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday, March 23 at 11.01 o'clock.

Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Portsmouth to whom was referred House Bill No. 306, An act to authorize the proprietors of Portsmouth bridge to discontinue the public use of its bridges and sell its property and franchise to and merge the same with the Boston and Maine Railroad, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill in its new draft read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Meader of Rochester for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Strafford to whom was referred House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden incident to the trial of State *v.* John E. Weeden for manslaughter, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass without amendment.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the bill was laid upon the table.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 48 (in new draft and new title), An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Tilton of Laconia, the bill was laid upon the table.

House Bill No. 59, An act to regulate and limit the investments of savings banks.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 188 (in new draft and new title), An act relating to the liability of town officers.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

House Bill No. 218 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 92 of the Laws of 1919 relating to business corporations.

House Bill No. 221 (in new draft and new title), An act relating to the development of water power.

House Bill No. 335 (in new draft), An act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of foreign insurance companies.

House Bill No. 352, An act to incorporate the Etna and Hanover Center Telephone Company.

House Bill No. 353, An act to incorporate as a religious society the First Baptist Society of Farmington.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the bill was laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday March 23, at 11.02 o'clock.

House Bill No. 360, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, relating to the publication of statutes, journals and reports.

House Bill No. 361, An act in relation to the annual report of the board of bank commissioners.

House Bill No. 363, An act to amend Section 7, Chapter 47, Laws of 1913, relating to the construction of dams.

House Bill No. 364, An act to amend Section 19 (d) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the public service commission.

House Bill No. 365, An act authorizing the county of

Rockingham to issue bonds to refund bonds of the county becoming due October 1, 1921.

House Bill No. 367, An act for the apportionment of representation in the House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 84, Laws of 1911.

House Bill No. 369, An act in relation to the payment of wages.

House Joint Resolution No. 58, Joint resolution in favor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

House Bill No. 219 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Section 13 of Chapter 164 of Laws of 1911 relating to public utilities.

Taken from the table.

Mr. Lord of Manchester offered the following amendments.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "of" in line 21, and inserting in place thereof the word "if", further amend Section 1 by striking out the words in lines 23 and 24 "of such hire or other works" and inserting in place thereof the following "any such structures."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendments were adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 362, An act in amendment of Section 3, Chapter 193, Laws of 1917, relating to the appointment of banks and trust companies as trustees.

Taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the bill was laid upon the table.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the house that the state tax for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922 be limited to a sum not exceeding $1,700,000, exclusive of the amount required to provide for the deficiencies of this fiscal year, and that the state tax for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923 be limited to a sum not exceeding $1,500,000, and that the Committee on Appropriations be requested to make the aggregate appropriations for each of these two fiscal years con-

form to the revenue of the state as it is estimated on the basis of a state tax limited as above.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Concord the clerk was instructed to procure 200 additional copies of House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

On motion of Mr. McHugh of Gorham at 12.58 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 59, An act to regulate and limit the investments of savings banks.

House Bill No. 218, An act in amendment of Chapter 92 of the Laws of 1919, relating to business corporations.

House Bill No. 219, An act in amendment of Section 13 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911 relating to public utilities.

House Bill No. 221, An act in relation to the development of water power.

House Bill No. 335, An act to amend Section 14, Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of foreign insurance companies.

House Bill No. 352, An act to incorporate the Etna and Hanover Center Telephone Company.

House Bill No. 353, An act to incorporate as a religious society the First Baptist Society of Farmington.

House Bill No. 360, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, relating to the publication of statutes, journals and reports.

House Bill No. 361, An act in relation to the annual report of the board of bank commissioners.

House Bill No. 363, An act to amend Section 7, Chapter 47, Laws of 1913, relating to the construction of dams.

House Bill No. 364, An act to amend Section 19 (d) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the Public Service Commission.

House Bill No. 365, An act authorizing the county of Rockingham to issue bonds to refund bonds of the county becoming due October 1, 1921.

House Bill No. 367, An act for the apportionment of representation in the House of Representatives and repealing Chapter 84, Laws of 1911.

House Bill No. 369, An act in relation to the payment of wages.

House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell.

House Joint Resolution No. 51, Joint resolution providing for the making of improvements, purchase of property and necessary repairs upon the buildings and grounds of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at the Weirs for the years 1921–1922 and 1922–1923.

House Joint Resolution No. 58, Joint resolution in favor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolution in favor of the members of the New Hampshire State Guard.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 223, An act in regard to the length of brook trout and limit taken.

House Bill No. 265, An act to increase the salary of the mayor of Nashua.

House Bill No. 341, An act to increase the bounty on wildcats.

House Bill No. 354, An act to incorporate the Knights of Columbus Home Association, Keene, N. H.

The message also announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following bills, with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 101 (in new draft and new title), An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes and Round pond in Pittsburg.

Amend Section 2, by adding after the word "Second" the words "and Third," so that said section shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Fish of lawful size may be taken with artificial flies during the month of September, from Round pond and the First and Second and Third Connecticut lakes in the town of Pittsburg, county of Coos.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 320, An act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea.

Amend by adding after Section 2, a new section, Section 3, as follows:

SECT. 3. When it shall be made known to any town or city clerk by a legally registered physician, or by any board of health that a person, or persons, desiring a marriage certificate has gonorrhoea or syphilis such certificate shall not be issued without the consent of the State Board of Health.

Section 3 shall be Section 4, and Section 4 shall be Section 5.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 224, An act in regard to hunting licenses.

Amend paragraph (f) of Section 1 of said bill by striking out all of lines twenty-two and twenty-three and inserting in the place thereof the following: "but such suspension shall not be for a longer period than fifteen days unless the commission, after investigation and hearing, so determines." So that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

(f) The commission may order any license issued to any person under the provisions of this act, to be suspended or revoked, after due hearing, for any cause that it may deem sufficient, and the said commission may order the suspension of any license of any person in its discretion, and without hearing, and may order the license delivered to the commission or its representative whenever it has reason to be lieve that the holder thereof is physically or mentally an improper or incompetent person to carry fire-arms, or is handling fire-arms improperly or so as to endanger human life or property, but such suspension shall not be for a longer period than fifteen days unless the commission after investigation and hearing so determine.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins of Laconia, House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia, was taken from the table.

On motion of the same gentleman the bill was recommitted to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Laconia.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Hunt, of Nashua offered the following resolution:

Whereas, an oil portrait of Washington "The Father of His Country" occupies a conspicuous place in the Capitol Building of New Hampshire, and

Whereas, there is no official portrait of Abraham Lincoln, the great emancipator and preserver of his country, placed in the Capitol Building of this state, and

Whereas, it seems appropriate that our state should be in line with other states in recognizing the services of one of the greatest men the world ever produced, and place beside the portrait of Washington, our first president, an appropriate oil painting of Abraham Lincoln, our sixteenth president.

Therefore be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that a committee of two on the part of the House, and one on the part of the Senate be appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate respectively, to solicit funds from the cities and towns of the state not to exceed $3,000.00 for the purpose aforesaid.

Resolved, That funds subscribed for aforesaid purpose be placed in the hands of the state treasurer, and expended under the direction of the governor and council who shall direct and approve all work incident thereto.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

The resolution was then sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Messenger of Lebanon at 3.40 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Brown of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway for the Committee on Engrossed Bills reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and resolution:

Senate Bill No. 4, An act in relation to building and loan

associations and in amendment of Chapter 166 of the Public Statutes.

Senate Bill No. 17, An act in amendment of Chapter 122, Laws of 1917, relating to the school year.

Senate Bill No. 19, An act to legalize the annual meetings of the Lancaster village fire precinct.

Senate Bill No. 20, An act in amendment of Chapter 184, Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 221, Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapter 329, Laws of 1903, as amended by Chapter 330, Laws of 1911, renewing certain rights, powers and privileges of the Dalton Power Company.

House Bill No. 16, An act relative to the incorporation and management of credit unions.

House Bill No. 54, An act in amendment of Section 9, Chapter 357, Laws of 1917, entitled "An act to incorporate the Marlborough Water Works Company.

House Bill No. 230, An act in relation to the sale or letting of domestic animals for breeding purposes.

House Bill No. 256, An act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 249 of the session Laws of 1919, entitled "An act authorizing the Nashua Manufacturing Company to increase and classify its capital stock."

House Bill No. 308, An act to designate the state treasurer as the custodian of United States funds allotted to the forestry department.

House Bill No. 331, An act in amendment of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1887, as amended by Chapter 273 of the Laws of 1907 relating to the charter of the Underwriters' Fire Insurance Company.

House Bill No. 332, An act to authorize the Manufacturers and Merchants Mutual Insurance Company to make and effect insurance on motor vehicles, their fittings and contents, and use and occupancy, against loss or damage resulting from accident, theft, collision or other causes.

House Bill No. 333, An act in amendment of Chapter 314 of the Laws of 1913 in relation to the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire.

House Bill No. 334, An act in amendment of Chapter 175

of the Laws of 1887, relating to the Capital Fire Insurance Company of Concord, New Hampshire.

House Bill No. 341, An act to increase the bounty on wild cats.

House Bill No. 354, An act to incorporate the Knights of Columbus Home Association, Keene, N. H.

House Joint Resolution No. 19, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham for the Committee on Agriculture to whom was referred House Bill No. 239, An act relating to the sale, quality and standards of dairy products reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, Chapter 89, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary,

reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 374, An act to provide for a referendum on the adoption of a new city charter for the city of Manchester, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

Mr. Merrill of Manchester, moved that the bill be laid upon the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Merrill called for a division.

A division being had 138 members voted in the affirmative and 110 members voted in the negative and less than two thirds of the members elected being present and voting and less than two thirds of those voting having voted either in the affirmative or the negative, no valid action was taken either in the affirmative or the negative and the bill went over into unfinished business.

Mr. Davison of Haverhill, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 375, An act to confirm and legalize the votes and proceedings of the annual town meeting holden in Newport, March 8, 1921, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Newell of Newport, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 60, Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission in regard to employers' liability and workmen's compensation, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rice of Keene, for the Committee on Normal Schools reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 61, Joint resolution to provide for the enlargement of the Plymouth Normal School, with the recommendation that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Normal Schools.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Normal Schools.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 146, An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of 1909 entitled "An act to provide for the recording of sales of real estate for taxes," reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes to whom was referred House Bill No. 284, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907 relating to a lien on standing trees covered by mortgage, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 376, An act in relation to parole officer, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 377, An act to authorize the city of Nashua to issue bonds, with the recommendation that the bill

be referred to the special committee consisting of the Nashua delegation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 378, An act in relation to the payment of salaries of county officers of Hillsborough county, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to the special committee consisting of the Hillsborough county delegation.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out the words "register of probate."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the rules were suspended and the reference of the bill to a committee dispensed with.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the statutes reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 379, An act relating to the desertion of families, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. King of Walpole for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 62, Joint resolution for the permanent improvement and maintenance of a certain highway in the town of Brookfield, with the recommendation that the joint resolution be recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 370, An act relating to the expenditure of state funds in connection with the construction and maintenance of state highways, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 56, Joint resolution to provide for the protection of the state boulevard in Hampton reported the same without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 351, An act providing for the erection of standard highway danger signals, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 12 (in new draft), An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state,

reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 4 by striking out the words "from the money appropriated for highways" in lines thirty-one and thirty-two and inserting in place thereof the words "on the treasurer" so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 4. That a sum, not exceeding six thousand dollars may be expended by said highway commissioner of the state of New Hampshire for the purchase of said bridge or franchise of said Eliot Bridge Company; said money, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the supervision of the governor and his council; and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the payment of the same on the treasurer. The amount to be expended in the purchase of said franchise or bridge shall not exceed one-half of the total purchase price of the entire bridge.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 344, An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent construction of highway bridges throughout the state, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 16 by striking out the words "one hundred thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the words "fifty thousand dollars" so that said section as amended shall read:

"SECT. 16. To meet the financial obligations of the state to be incurred under the provisions of this act there shall be appropriated annually to meet expenses of new construction the sum of fifty thousand dollars."

Amend Section 18 by striking out the words "upon its passage" and inserting in place thereof the words "at the

beginning of the fiscal year, July 1, 1921," so that said section as amended shall read:

"SECT. 18. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed and this act shall take effect at the beginning of the fiscal year, July 1, 1921."

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Bill No. 266, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools and establishing a state board of education, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Bill No. 271, An act in amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 16 of the Session Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 118 of the Session Laws of 1903, relating to the tuition of high school students, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 21, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Milan leading from West Milan to Pontook Falls in the town of Dummer, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Bill No. 274, An act providing for the maintenance of the Tucker bridge

in the town of Walpole, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to legislate, subject matter being contained in another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 32, Joint resolution for the purchase of a right of way of the Seabrook and Hampton Beach Street Railway Company, reported, the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 90, An act in amendment of Section 28 of Chapter 133 of Laws of 1911 as amended by Section 8 of Chapter 229, Laws of 1917, relating to motor vehicles, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, subject matter being covered by another bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 135, An act requiring applicants for registration of motor vehicles to file bonds, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 329, An act in amendment of Section 27 of Chapter 266 of the Public Statutes, relative to advertisements in public places, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Collins of Danville, for the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred House Bill No. 77, An act in amendment of Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1913 relating to exempting municipal indebtedness from taxation, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 311, An act to establish a continuous highway from the Lake Sunapee road at Bristol to the Daniel Webster highway at Meredith, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 295, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the South Side road in Raymond to the junction with the Central road in Epsom, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 161, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Baboosic road in Manchester to the junction with the Central road in Bradford, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 162, An act

to provide for a continuous state highway from a point in the Rockingham state highway in Derry to a point in the state highway in Atkinson, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 163, An act to establish a continuous highway from the East Side road in Gorham through Shelburne to the Maine state line at Gilead, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 104, An act to establish a continuous highway from the Vermont state line at North Walpole to the West Side road in Lebanon, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Porter of Langdon moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations for a further hearing.

The question being on the motion to recommit.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. King of Walpole called for a division but subsequently withdrew his call.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 93, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side road in Winchester to the Massachusetts state line at Warwick, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 94, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side road at Groveton to the East Side road at Pontook Falls, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 82, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Sunapee Lake road in the town of New London to the junction of the West Side road in the town of Grantham, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 55, An act to establish a continuous highway from the junction of the Hudson-Derry road in the town of Hudson to the Massachusetts line at Tyngsboro, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 44, An act to establish a continuous highway from the West Side road in the town of Carroll to the Gorham Hill road in the town

of Randolph, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 29, An act to establish a state highway from the West Side trunk line to Echo lake in Lempster, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 30, An act to establish a continuous highway from the South Side road in Wilton to the Massachusetts state line at Ashby, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 18, An act to establish a continuous highway from the South Side road in Milford to the Massachusetts state line at Townsend, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Stone of Andover, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Merrimack, to whom was referred House Bill No. 197, An act in relation to the salary of sheriff for Merrimack county, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. McDuffee of Rochester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Rochester, to

whom was referred House Bill No. 268, An act to establish a police commission in the city of Rochester, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 98, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, in relation to the New Hampshire Law reports.

House Bill No. 305, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 245 of the Public Statutes, relating to trustee process.

House Bill No. 324, An act to amend Chapter 30, Section 9 of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to municipal courts.

House Joint Resolution No. 29, Joint resolution, providing for additional compensation for the compilation and preparation of a digest of the Supreme Court decisions.

House Bill No. 358, An act relative to fishing in York pond and tributaries and Cold brook.

The message further announced that the Senate refused to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 312, An act to change the name of the Baboosic road between Manchester and Milford to that of the Horace Greeley highway.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following bill, with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 293, An act relating to time limit for adjusting and paying fire losses.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by adding in the tenth line thereof after the word "from" the words "the insured or," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECTION 1. In case of loss or damage to property insured by any fire insurance company transacting business in this state, said company or its representative shall begin adjustment of such loss within fifteen days after the receipt of the notice. But no fire insurance company shall pay any loss or damage until after the expiration of forty-five days from the date when proof of loss is executed; provided that nothing contained in this section shall prevent the payment of a loss to any property owner when the aggregate loss under policies covering the risk does not exceed one hundred dollars; provided, also, that upon application from the insured or an insurance company or its authorized representative, written permission to make earlier payment on any loss may be given said company or its authorized representative by the insurance commissioner, and immediately upon issuing such permit, the insurance commissioner shall notify and grant permits to any other companies known to be interested in the risk. For any violation of this section the insurance commissioner may suspend the authority of the company to transact business in this state for such length of time, not exceeding one year, as he may deem advisable.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover, the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bills, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 309, An act to amend Section 40, Chapter

133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to catching lake trout in Newfound lake.

Amend the title of the bill by striking it out and inserting in place thereof the following new title: An act relating to catching lake trout in Newfound lake.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out in the second line of said section the words "as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee as Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 205, An act to amend Section 32, sub-division b of the fish and game laws of 1919–20, relating to the taking and possession of pickerel.

Amend the title of the bill by striking it out and inserting in place thereof the following new title: An act in amendment of the fish and game laws relating to the taking and possession of pickerel.

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend sub-section (b), Section 32, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 15, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917 by inserting after the words "New Durham" the following: Ella river and all of its tributaries in Farmington, all tributaries of the Cocheco river that enter said river in the town of Farmington, so that said sub-section shall read as follows: (b) Pickerel of any size and in any quantity may be taken and possessed from Sunapee lake, Crystal lake in Enfield, Tewksbury pond in Grafton, Elbow pond in Woodstock, Partridge lake in Lyman and Littleton, Pearl lake in Lisbon, Merry Meeting pond in New Durham, Ella river and all of its tributaries in Farmington, all tributaries of the Cocheco river that enter said river in the town of Farmington, Big Dan Hole pond in Ossipee and Tuftonboro, and from the waters in Coos county at any time. Pickerel not less than twelve inches in length may be taken

from Lakes Winnipesaukee, Massabesic, Winnisquam, Asquam, Wentworth, Spofford, and the Connecticut river in Cheshire county, from June first to April first.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 223, An act in regard to the length of brook trout and the limit taken.

Amend the title by striking it out and inserting in place thereof a new title as follows:

An act in amendment of the fish and game laws, relative to the taking and possession of brook trout.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the first seven lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend sub-division (a), Section 28, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 13, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, by striking out the word "five" in the twelfth line and the word "five" in the fourteenth line and inserting in the places thereof the word "six," so that said sub-division when amended shall read as follows:

Further amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the word and figure "SECT. 28" in the eighth line of said section.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the first six lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Amend sub-division (f), Section 28, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 13, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, by striking out the word "ten" in the third line and inserting in place thereof the word "five," so that said sub-division when amended shall read as follows:

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bill in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 32, An act to establish a New Hampshire commission of foreign and domestic commerce to co-operate with similar commissions in other states.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 32, An act to establish a New Hampshire commission on foreign and domestic commerce to co-operate with similar commissions in other states.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Price of Lisbon called for the special order, House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority that it is inexpedient to legislate be substituted for the report of the majority that the bill ought to pass?

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House took a recess for 1 hour and 10 minutes.

(After recess.)

The consideration of House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic, was resumed.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority that it is inexpedient to legislate be substituted for the report of the majority that the bill ought to pass.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Winn of Nashua moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the report of the minority that it is inexpedient to legislate be substituted for the report of the majority that the bill ought to pass.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Rainford of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays but subsequently withdrew his demand and called for a division.

A division being had 52 members voted in the affirmative and 235 members voted in the negative and the motion to substitute did not prevail.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Price of Lisbon the rules were suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Challis of Manchester called for the special order, House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

On motion of Mr. Challis the bill was laid upon the table and made a special order for Thursday, March 24 at 11.01 o'clock.

RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. Price of Lisbon moved that the vote whereby the House passed House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic be reconsidered.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.30 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their title made in order.

House Bill No. 146, An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of 1909, entitled, "An act to provide for the recording of sales of real estate for taxes."

House Bill No. 197, An act in relation to the salary of sheriff for Merrimack county.

House Bill No. 370, An act relating to the expenditure of state funds in connection with the construction and maintenance of state highways.

House Bill No. 375, An act to confirm and legalize the votes and proceedings of the annual town meeting holden in Newport, March 8, 1921.

House Bill No. 378, An act in relation to the payment of salaries of county officers of Hillsborough county.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hunkins of Littleton, at 3.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Charles A. Parker of Hampton Falls.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Peppard of Plymouth and Sawyer of Salisbury, were granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 147, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 115 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the exemption of property of Spanish War Veterans and American Legion.

House Bill No. 265, An act to increase the salary of the mayor of the city of Nashua.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lovejoy of Milford, for the Committee on Agricultural College, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 52, Joint resolution appropriating money for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, reported the same with the following amendments and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the figures "$757,705" in line one and inserting in place thereof the figures "$737,705"; by striking out the figures "$252,059" in line five and inserting in place thereof the figures "$242,-059" and by striking out the figures "$262,656" in line six and inserting in place thereof the figures "$252,656" so that said joint resolution as amended shall read:

That the sum of $737,705 be and the same is hereby appropriated for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, said appropriations to be expended as follows:

$242,059 for current college expenses for the year 1921–22.

$252,656 for current college expenses for the year 1922–23.

$10,745 for repairs and replacements for the year 1921–22.

$14,925 for repairs and replacements for the year 1922–23.

$8,040 for miscellaneous improvements for the year 1921–22.

$8,900 for miscellaneous improvements for the year 1922–23.

$12,801 for co-operative agricultural extension work

under the provisions of the Smith-Lever Act for the year 1921–22.

$14,579 for co-operative agricultural extension work under the provisions of the Smith-Lever Act for the year 1922–23.

$18,000 for the purchase of farm land to be available during the fiscal year 1921–22.

$50,000 for the construction of a heating plant to be available for the fiscal year 1921–22.

$75,000 for the completion and equipment of a heating plant to be available for the fiscal year 1922–23.

$8,000 for extension work in agriculture and home economics for the year 1921–22.

$10,000 for extension work in agriculture and home economics for the year 1922-23.

$5,000 for agricultural research work for the year 1921–22.

$7,000 for agricultural research work for the year 1922-23.

The governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 22, Joint resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin and the improvement of the highway leading from the Merrimack Valley road to the same, reported the same in a new draft, with a new caption and with the recommendation that the joint resolution in its new draft and with its new caption ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the joint resolution in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 368, An act for the protection of deer, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Education, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school laws of the state, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter moved that the printing of the bill be dispensed with.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Dudley.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Education, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 381, An act amending Section 13, Chapter 92 of the Public Statutes, relating to school boards, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Davison of Haverhill, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 382, An act in relation to Cheshire county jail, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary,

Mr. Cilley of Manchester, for the Committee on Military Affairs, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 383, An act in amendment of Sections 13, 35, 36, 63 and 64,

Chapter 123, Laws of 1917, relating to the militia, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 384, An act to enable the city of Nashua to erect a statue to the memory of General John G. Foster, with the recommendation that the bill be referred to the special committee consisting of the Nashua delegation.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua.

On motion of Mr. Cotton of Nashua, the order whereby the bill was ordered printed was rescinded.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

Mr. McCarthy of Manchester, for the Committee on State Prison, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 45, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Prison, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 2 by inserting after the word "educational" in line 4 the following: "further amend said section

by striking out all of said section after the words "employees" in line 7; further amend said section by striking out all of said section after the word "employees" in line 12, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 5 (3) of said Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, by striking out in the fourth line the words "required to be taught and the minimum educational" and inserting in place thereof the words "recommended to be taught and the educational"; further amend said section by striking out all of said section after the word "employees" in line 7 so that the sub-section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 5. (3) The state board shall prescribe the qualifications and duties of the deputy commissioners provided by Section 7 of this act, of all superintendents and assistant superintendents and teachers employed in the public schools, the subjects recommended to be taught and the educational standards for all grades of the public schools; also prescribe the qualifications and duties of its employees.

Amend Section 3 by striking out in line 10 the words "one-half of"; further amend by striking out after the word "treasury" in line 10 the following: "*provided, however*, that if any salary recommended by the union for its superintendent or assistant superintendent exceeds 2,500 dollars per year, the entire additional amount above this sum shall be paid into the state treasury by the treasurer of the union, and the proportion for each district shall be as determined by the supervisory union for each district." So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 3. Amend sub-section 8, Section 9, of said chapter by striking out the whole of said sub-section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 9 (8). The state board shall fix the salary or salaries of the superintendents and assistant superintendents for the supervisory unions at $2,000 per year, but any union may add such sum as it sees fit to the salary of the superintendent or assistant superintendent as fixed by the state board, and in that event the treasurer of the union before

December first of each year shall pay such excess salary or salaries into the state treasury. Upon the sworn statement of the commissioner of education the salaries of all superintendents and assistant superintendents as thus fixed and determined shall be paid by the state treasurer monthly upon the warrant of the governor and council.

Amend Section 7 by inserting after the word "district" in line 3 the following: "situated in a town of an equalized valuation less than the average equalized valuation of all towns in the state (all cities excluded)" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 7. Amend Section 22 of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, by striking out the whole of said section and substituting therefor the following:

SECT. 22. In any district situated in a town of an equalized valuation less than the average equalized valuation of all towns in the state (all cities excluded) in which a sum equal to one-half of one per cent of the equalized valuation of the district, that is, the valuation on which the state tax is apportioned, is insufficient to maintain the required elementary and special schools and to purchase the required textbooks, scholars' supplies, flags and appurtenances, the state board shall provide the balance of the money necessary from the money appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act; *provided, however*, that in towns or cities comprising more than one school district no special or town district shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of this section unless the town or city in which it is situated would be entitled on the basis of the expenditures of the previous year, to the benefits thereof, if it constituted a single district, and *provided, furthermore*, that if in any year the approved claims of the several districts entitled to state aid shall be in excess of the appropriation a sufficient number of districts shall be omitted from the distribution to bring the total amount of the grants within the limits of the appropriation. The eliminated districts shall be those in which payments for current local expenditures for public education, as measured in dollars and cents per one thousand dollars of

equalized valuation, were, during the previous year, the lowest; except that the state board shall have authority in its discretion to withhold from such general distribution an amount not exceeding five per cent of the appropriation for state aid which it may use to furnish additional aid to districts where special need exists. As the term is used in this act the equalized valuation of a school district is the equalized valuation of the city or town of which it is composed; and in a city or town comprising more than one school district, the equalized valuation of any district shall be such a fraction of the equalized valuation of the whole city or town as the assessed valuation of the district is of the assessed valuation of the whole city or town. The sum total of aid granted in any year to any district, or to all the districts of any one town, shall not exceed $6,000.

Amend Section 11 by inserting after the word "passage" in line 2 the following: "Section 3 of this act shall take effect upon September 1, 1921, and," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 11. Section 6 of this act shall take effect upon its passage, Section 3 of this act shall take effect upon September 1, 1921, and all other sections at the beginning of the next school fiscal year.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the amendments proposed by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter, the bill, with the amendments pending, was laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, March 29 at 11.01 o'clock.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham, for the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relating to diseases of domestic animals, having considered the same, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out in line 66 (paragraph "Sect. 4") the words "as herein provided" and inserting in place thereof the following "those for immediate slaughter

at establishments where state or federal inspection is maintained."

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 99 and line 107 (paragraph "Sect. 4") the words "the disease" and inserting in place thereof the word "tuberculosis";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "sold" in line 107 (paragraph "Sect. 4") the words "for food";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "leg" in line 119 (paragraph "Sect. 4") the words "foot and mouth disease" further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 139 (paragraph "Sect. 5") the word "six" and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "glanders" in line 167 and line 169 (paragraph "Sect. 6") the words "or anthrax";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 200 (paragraph "Sect. 10") the word "tuberculosis";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 263 (paragraph "Sect. 13") the word "shall" and inserting in place thereof the word "may";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 349 and line 361 (paragraph "Sect. 18") the word "veterinarian" and inserting in place thereof the word "person";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 387 (paragraph "Sect. 20") the following: "in no case shall the appraisal for a single animal exceed the actual market value thereof at the time of said appraisal and";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in lines 390–391 (paragraph "Sect. 20") the following: except for horses in which case the maximum appraisal shall be one hundred fifty dollars" and inserting in place thereof the following: "for grade cattle or two hundred dollars for pure bred registered cattle and for horses";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in lines 409–410 (paragraph "Sect. 20") the following "grade cattle and three-fourths of the appraisal value placed upon all pure bred registered";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 422 (paragraph "Sect. 21") the words "the disease" and inserting in place thereof the word "tuberculosis";

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in lines 431–432 (paragraph "Sect. 21") the following; "only for the feeding of veal calves or swine for slaughter."

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 444 (paragraph "Sect. 21") the words "the disease" and inserting in place thereof the word "tuberculosis";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting in line 460 (paragraph "Sect. 22") after the word "left" the word "ear";

Further amend Section 1 by renumbering paragraph "Sect. 30" Sect. 29, and "Sect. 31" Sect. 30; so that said Section 1 as amended shall read as follows:

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 6, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Carroll leading from the west side trunk line to Cherry Mountain station, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 7, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Jefferson, leading from the Carroll town line to the Gorham Hill road near Bowman, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 9, Joint resolution in favor of the Sandwich Notch road,

so-called, in the towns of Thornton and Sandwich, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 26, Joint resolution in favor of making permanent repairs on the Lake Shore road in the town of Pittsburg, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 111, An act in amendment of sub-sections (c) and (e) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the issue of stock of public utility corporations, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Tuck of Concord, for the Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House Bill No. 244, An act to create a minimum wage commission and to prescribe its powers and duties, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate—the subject matter to be provided for in a concurrent resolution.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Hopkins of Laconia, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Belknap, to whom was referred House Bill No. 315, An act to regulate the salary of the sheriff for Belknap county, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Hillsborough to whom was referred House Bill No. 371, An act in amendment of Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to clerk hire for the Hillsborough county commissioners reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1903, Chapter 22 of the Laws of 1907, Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1909, Chapters 2, 44 and 136 of the Laws of 1913, Chapter 201 of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 45 of the Laws of 1919, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said Section 20 and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 20. Each county commissioner, except the commissioners of Hillsborough, Cheshire, Merrimack, Grafton, Coos and Carroll counties, shall be paid by the county treasurer for his services, when employed in business of the county and in inspecting the taxable property of towns, as provided in the preceding section, three dollars a day, and a reasonable sum for all necessary expenses, upon order of the superior court, his accounts having been first audited by the court. Each commissioner of Hillsborough county shall be so paid the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per year, payable monthly, each commissioner of Cheshire county the sum of five hundred dollars per year, each commissioner of Merrimack county the sum of one thousand dollars per year, each commissioner of Grafton county the sum of five hundred dollars per year, and each commissioner of Coos county, when employed in business of the county and inspecting the taxable property of towns, as provided in the preceding section, five dollars a day, and each commissioner of Carroll county when so employed, four dollars a day, payable in equal quarterly installments, and a reasonable sum for all necessary expenses, upon order of the superior court, his accounts

having first been audited by the court. The commissioners of Hillsborough county shall employ two clerks, one at the office of the commission in Manchester and one at the office of the commission in Nashua. The salary of each of these clerks shall be twenty dollars per week, payable weekly.

Amend the title of the bill by striking out the whole of said title and inserting in place thereof the following: An act in relation to the commissioners of Carroll county and the clerk hire of the commissioners of Hillsborough county.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

BILL FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 306, An act to authorize the proprietors of Portsmouth bridge to discontinue the public use of its bridges and to sell its property and franchises to and merge the same with the Boston and Maine Railroad.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 52, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 77, Laws of 1909, authorizing towns to raise money for patriotic observances.

House Bill No. 115, An act relating to the powers of the Board of Public Works of the city of Portsmouth.

House Bill No. 186, An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 187 of the Session Laws of 1895, relating to the John M. Hunt home.

House Bill No. 313, An act in amendment of Section 50, Chapter 147, of the Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919 in relation to intoxicating liquor

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendment to the following joint resolution:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolutionin favor of the members of the New Hampshire State Guard.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its adoption of the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes relating to the investigation of the causes of fire.

House Bill No. 270 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, Chapter 224, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919 relating to state aid for highways.

Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91, of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses.

Senate Bill 24, An act relating to highways.

Senate Bill No. 25, An act relating to the proprietors of common lands.

Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state.

Senate Bill No. 27 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 90 of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91, of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Senate Bill No. 24, An act relating to highways.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 25, An act relating to the proprietors of common lands.

Read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Senate Bill No. 27, An act in amendment of Chapter 90 of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts.

Read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title.

The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rule under which House Bill No. 382, An act in relation to Cheshire county jail was laid upon the table to be printed was suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Howes of Manchester called for the unfinished business, House Bill No. 374, An act to provide for a referendum on the adoption of a new city charter for the city of Manchester.

The question being,

Shall the bill be laid upon the table?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed and the bill was read a second time.

Mr. Merrill of Manchester offered the following amendments:

Amend said bill by striking out in the title the words "a referendum on the adoption of a new city charter" and substitute therefor the words "charter commission" so that the title will read "An act to provide for a charter commission for the city of Manchester."

Further amend by striking out all of said bill after the enacting clause and substitute therefor the following: SECTION 1. Not later than July 1, 1922, the mayor of Manchester, who shall take office in January next following the passage of this act, shall, with the approval of the aldermen, appoint three Republicans and three Democrats who shall constitute a charter commission for said city.

SECT. 2. This commission shall consider the subject of a new city charter and shall report its findings to the next legislature before the assembling thereof, filing its report and any bill it may recommend, with the secretary of state.

SECT. 3. The commission shall serve without pay. Any vacancy occurring in its membership may be filled by subsequent appointments by the mayor, with the approval of the aldermen.

The question being on the amendments,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Tuck of Concord moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being on the amendments.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendments were not adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Challis of Manchester called for the special order, House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

The speaker yielded to allow of the presentation of a resolution.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord,

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That, beginning July 1, 1921, each register of deeds and each register of probate in the state of New Hampshire shall keep a full and accurate record of all fees and payments of any kind whatsoever received by him, and of all expenses paid by him, in the conduct of his official business; and that said registers shall, respectively, on or before August 1, 1922, report to the secretary of state the total amounts so received and paid for the year ending June 30, 1922, for the information of the next general court:

And that the secretary of state shall send a copy of this resolution to each such register.

(Discussion resumed.)

Mr. Challis of Manchester offered the following amendments.

Amend line 8 of Section 1 by striking out the figures "2250" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2500"; amend Section 1 by striking out lines 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26 of said section and inserting instead thereof the words, "the salaries of the commissioner and deputy commissioners of education shall be fixed by the governor and council"; amend line 35 of Section 1 by striking out the figures "2500" and inserting instead thereof the figures "3000"; amend line 9 of Section 2 by striking out the figures "2800" and inserting instead thereof the figures "2000."

The question being on the amendments,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Challis moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Challis.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

By unanimous consent Mr. Ahern of Concord offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it be to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it adjourn to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The consideration of House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits was resumed.

Mr. Benfield of Portsmouth offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out the figures "$2500" in line 31 and inserting in place thereof the figures "$3000."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out the figures "$2500" in line 35 and inserting in place thereof the figures "$3000."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

(Mr. Barrett of Dover in the chair.)

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Tuck of Concord offered the following resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that

Whereas the welfare of the state requires that the health and the morals of its women workers should be protected, and

Whereas an inadequate wage has a pernicious influence upon their health and morals, therefore

Resolved we recommend that the governor be requested to appoint a committee of three persons who shall serve without compensation to investigate whether there is need of a minimum wage law in the state, and, if such be the

case, to report to the legislature of 1923, with such recommendations as will remedy the situation.

(The Speaker in the chair.)

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Cotton of Nashua, the resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Quimby of Claremont, the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 374, An act to provide for a referendum on the adoption of a new city charter for the city of Manchester.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester, the rules suspended and the bill put back upon its second reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 306, An act to authorize the proprietors of Portsmouth bridge to discontinue the public use of its bridges and to sell its property and franchises to and merge the same with the Boston and Maine Railroad.

House Bill No. 315, An act to regulate the salary of the sheriff for Belknap county.

House Bill No. 368, An act for the protection of deer.

House Bill No. 371, An act in amendment of Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relative to clerk hire for the Hillsborough county commissioners.

House Bill No. 381, An act amending Section 13, Chapter 92, of the Public Statutes, relating to school boards.

House Bill No. 383, An act in amendment of Sections 13,

35, 36, 63, and 64, Chapter 123, Laws of 1917, relating to the militia.

House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school laws of the state.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

Mr. Gorham of Manchester moved that the bill be laid upon the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Gorham called for a division.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover, with the call for a division upon the motion to lay upon the table pending, at 1.51 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., MARCH 25, 1921.

Mr. Adrian B. Preston,
Strafford, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill, at 9.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.
The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., MARCH 28, 1921.

Mr. Fred E. Berry,
Barnstead, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Langdon, at 7.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.
Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Holmes of Henniker was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, Joint resolution in favor of the members of the New Hampshire State Guard.

House Joint Resolution No. 10, Joint resolution in favor of Granite State Deaf Mute Mission.

House Joint Resolution No. 29, Joint resolution providing

for additional compensation for the compilation and preparation of a digest of the supreme court decisions.

Senate Bill No. 13, An act to extend the charter of the Walpole Electric Light and Power Company.

House Bill No. 52, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 77, Laws of 1909, authorizing towns to raise money for patriotic observances.

House Bill No. 98, An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, in relation to the New Hampshire Law Reports.

House Bill No. 101, An act to regulate fishing in Connecticut lakes and Round pond in Pittsburg.

House Bill No. 128, An act for the supervision and regulation of rates for workmen's compensation insurance.

House Bill No. 186, An act in amendment of Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 187 of the Laws of 1895, relating to the John M. Hunt Home.

House Bill No. 205, An act in amendment of the fish and game laws relating to the taking and possession of pickerel.

House Bill No. 246, An act in relation to Dartmouth College, and being an amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 43 of the Laws of 1893.

House Bill No. 263, An act relating to the encouragement of the New Hampshire Assessors' Association.

House Bill No. 270, An act in amendment of Chapter 93, Laws of 1915, Chapter 224, Laws of 1917 and Chapter 118, Laws of 1919, relating to state aid for highways.

House Bill No. 293, An act relating to time limit for adjusting and paying fire losses.

House Bill No. 294, An act in amendment of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes relating to the investigation of the causes of fires.

House Bill No. 305, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 245 of the Public Statutes relating to trustee process.

House Bill No. 309, An act relating to catching lake trout in Newfound lake.

House Bill No. 313, An act to amend Section 50, Chapter

147, Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 99, Laws of 1919, relating to intoxicating liquor.

House Bill No. 320, An act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea.

House Bill No. 324, An act to amend Chapter 30, Section 9, of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to municipal courts.

House Bill No. 325, An act repealing Chapter 33, Section 1, Laws of 1893, as amended, relating to compensation for cattle killed.

House Bill No. 345, An act to provide for deficiencies in the appropriations for certain departments and institutions for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921.

House Bill No. 348, An act to enable the town of Rollinsford and city of Dover to contract in relation to protection against fire.

House Bill No. 358, An act relative to fishing in York pond and tributaries and in Cold brook.

House Bill No. 359, An act in amendment of Chapter 11, Laws of 1813, approved June 16, 1813, being the charter of Kimball Union Academy.

House Bill No. 375, An act to confirm and legalize the votes and proceedings of the annual town meeting holden in Newport March 8, 1921.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Price of Lisbon, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 22, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to liability for neglect to repair, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 356, An act in amendment of Section 13, Chapter 27, of the Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1909, relating to street railway companies, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lane of Swanzey, for the Committee on Liquor Laws, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Laws.

Mrs. Farnum of Boscawen, for the Committee on Normal Schools, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 61, Joint resolution to provide for the enlargement of the Plymouth Normal School, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred House Bill No. 343, An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of drugs and medicines, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 9 by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following: "Assistant pharmacists shall have the right to do all things that may be done by a registered pharmacist in a pharmacy conducted under the supervision of a registered pharmacist, but only under direct supervision and not during the absence of such registered pharmacist." So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 9. Assistant pharmacists shall have the right to do all things that may be done by a registered pharmacist in a pharmacy conducted under the supervision of a registered pharmacist, but only under direct supervision and not during the absence of such registered pharmacist. A registered assistant pharmacist may be left in charge of a pharmacy only during the temporary absence of a registered pharma-

cist, and such temporary absence shall in no case exceed forty-eight hours at any one time, nor fourteen days in any one calendar year, unless consent is obtained from the Commission of Pharmacy. In case of death or under extreme conditions the commission may in its discretion issue a special permit to operate a pharmacy in such manner and under conditions that will safeguard the interests of the public, for a period not to exceed sixty days.

Further amend the bill by striking out all of Section 28 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 28. Dealers shall have the right to sell at retail the following named articles in original packages only, when put up by or under the direction of a registered pharmacist of this or some other state: compound licorice powder, rochelle salts, sodium phosphate, tannin, tincture of aconite, tincture of arnica, tincture of iodine, sweet tincture of rhubarb, aromatic tincture of rhubarb, chloroform liniment, sulphuric ether, aromatic spirits ammonia, stronger water of ammonia, ointment oxide of zinc, pills or tablets sulphate of quinine, extract cascara, calomel, cathartic compound, soda mint, soda mint and pepsin, and chlorate of potassium. Such packages shall bear the label of the distributor or manufacturer with the proper medicinal dose if a remedy used internally, and in the case of poisons the word "Poison" shall be displayed thereon in a conspicuous manner, with the antidote for a poisonous dose, *provided, however*, that this act shall in no way interfere wtih the sale at retail of the following: alum, blue vitrol, borax, camphor gum, chlorinated lime, copperas, essence peppermint, essence wintergreen, epsom salts, extract witch hazel, glauber salts, castor oil, oil turpentine, liniment camphor, peroxide of hydrogen, saltpetre, sulphur, sweet spirits nitre, cottonseed oil, household ammonia, and household or flavoring extracts.

Further amend the bill by striking out all of Section 33, and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 33. Nothing in this act shall be construed as repealing any of the provisions of Chapter 147, Laws of 1917, or amendments thereto, but Chapter 135 of the Public Stat-

utes (as amended in Chapter 47, Laws of 1901 and Chapter 116, Laws of 1909) and Section 13, Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed and this act shall take effect July 1, 1921.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 385, An act to exempt from taxation, property to be used for furnishing electric lights in the town of Andover, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 199, An act imposing a tax upon the transfer at death of the personal property of non-residents, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "five" in the fourth line and substituting the word "two"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. All personal property within the jurisdiction of the state and any interest therein, belonging to persons whose domicile is without the state shall, upon the death of the owner, be subject to a tax of two per cent of its value for the use of the state, upon its transfer, payment or delivery to the executor, administrator or trustee of the estate of said deceased.

Amend Section 2 by striking out the word "probate" in line twelve of said section, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. No stock or obligation of any national bank located in this state or of any corporation organized under the laws of this state, deposit in any bank, trust company, or other similar institution located in this state or organized

under its laws, obligation of any citizen of this state, or securities or personal property of any description within the jurisdiction of the state, or any interest therein, belonging to the estate of a non-resident shall be transferred, paid or delivered to any person except an executor, administrator or trustee of the estate of said deceased duly appointed either in this state or in the state of the decedent's domicile by a court having jurisdiction for that purpose.

Amend Section 3 by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 3. Such property shall not be transferred, paid or delivered to a foreign executor, administrator or trustee until the tax has been paid. Any person or corporation which shall transfer, pay, or deliver or having control thereof shall permit the transfer, payment, or delivery of any such property to any person other than a resident executor, administrator, or trustee before such tax has been paid shall be liable for the tax and to an additional penalty of not more than one thousand dollars in an action brought by the state treasurer. Any such bank or corporation which shall record such a transfer of any share of its stock or of its obligations or issue a new certificate of stock or other instrument to evidence such a transfer before all taxes imposed upon the transfer by this act have been paid shall be subject to the same liability and penalty.

Amend Section 10 by inserting after the words "for the use of the state" in line forty-one an additional sentence to read as follows: "Any person attending in response to summons as herein provided, shall thereafter be entitled to the same travel and witness fees as are allowed to witnesses summoned to testify in actions pending in the Superior Court." So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 10. The state treasurer, whenever he has knowledge or reason to believe that any person or corporation has in his possession or control any personal property belonging to the estate of a deceased non-resident upon which the tax has not been paid and a schedule of which has not been fur-

nished him, as herein provided, or that any such person or corporation has received a transfer of such property or made such a transfer (except to a resident executor, administrator, or trustee) upon which the tax has not been paid as herein provided, or that such person or corporation has knowledge of a transfer of any such personal property of such non-resident decedent in his lifetime by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, made in contemplation of death, or made or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after the death of the grantor or donor, or has possession or control of property so transferred, may require such person or any officer of such corporation to appear at the state treasury, at such time as the treasurer may designate and then and there to produce for the use of the treasurer all books, papers or securities which may be in the possession or control of such person or corporation relating to such property or transfer and to furnish such other information relating to the same as he may be able and the treasurer may require. Whenever the treasurer shall require the attendance of any person, as herein provided, he shall issue a notice stating the time when such attendance is required, and shall transmit the same by registered mail, or cause a copy of the same to be given in hand, to such person fourteen (14) days at least before the date when such person is required to appear. If any person receiving such notice shall neglect to attend or to give attendance so long as may be necessary, for the purpose for which the notice was issued, or refuses to furnish such books or papers or give such information, or if a corporation whose officer is thus summoned refuses to permit him to produce such books, papers or securities as are called for and are within the control of the corporation such person or corporation shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five (25) dollars for each offense, which may be recovered by the state treasurer for the use of the state. Any person attending in response to summons as herein provided, shall thereafter be entitled to the same travel and witness fees as are allowed to witnesses summoned to testify in actions pending in the Superior Court. The state treasurer

may commence an action for the recovery of any taxes at any time after the same may become payable.

Re-number Section 15 to read, Section 16.

Insert after Section 14 a new section as Section 15, to read as follows:

SECT. 15. The provisions of this act shall not apply to the stock or obligations of a corporation organized under New Hampshire laws, and owned by a non-resident, if, at the time of the death of the owner all the business conducted by the corporation under the authority of its charter (except stockholders' or directors' meetings and the duties performed by the clerk with reference thereto) is actually carried on outside of the state.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 11, An act to amend the primary and election laws, reported the same in a new draft, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill in its new draft, read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 386, An act to amend Chapter 161, Laws of 1881, relating to the New Hampshire Veterans' Association, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Price of Lisbon, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 387, An act in reference to the terms of the Superior Court in and for the county of Grafton, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 388, An act relating to lights upon certain vehicles on public highways, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 389, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes, relating to personal property subject to taxation, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted, the bill read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 4, An act to provide for a revision of the public statutes, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 67, An act authorizing the transfer of the town of Walpole's interest in the bridges crossing the Connecticut river between the towns of Walpole, New Hampshire and Rockingham, Vermont, to the state of New Hampshire highway system, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Hopkins of Laconia, for the Committee on Claims, to

whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 49, Joint resolution in favor of F. J. Mattoon, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Price of Lisbon, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 280, An act regulating the manner of conducting caucuses and conventions, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 224, An act in regard to hunting licenses, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the amendment ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out the first three lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 55, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 20, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 146, Laws of 1919, by adding at the end of said section two new paragraphs, (e) and (f), which shall read as follows:

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Otis of Concord, for the special committee consisting of the chairman of the county delegations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 275, An act in amendment of Chapters 24 and 282 of the Public Statutes, relating to common jails and the prisoners therein, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

OPINION OF SUPREME COURT.

The speaker presented the following:

SUPREME COURT
NEW HAMPSHIRE

FRANK NESMITH PARSONS
CHIEF JUSTICE
FRANKLIN

MARCH TWENTY-NINE,
Nineteen twenty-one.

Honorable Fred A. Jones,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
SIR:

In response to yours of the 16th inst. I hand you herewith the answers of the justices to the questions contained in the resolution of the House submitted by you.

Respectfully,
F. N. PARSONS.

To the House of Representatives:

The pending bill which is submitted for our consideration appears to be modeled upon a recent Massachusetts statute. Laws, Mass. 1919, c. 289. The Massachusetts act seems to have been adopted under a recent amendment of the constitution of that state. "The General Court shall have power to provide by law for voting by qualified voters who, at the time of the election, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants in the choice of any officer to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election." Art. XLV, Amendment, Const. Mass.

The purpose of the proposed legislation is to authorize the exercise of the right of suffrage at our biennial elections by electors who are not present at the polls either because of absence from the municipality in which the election is held or because of physical disability. In the latter provision the bill goes beyond the Massachusetts act or the constitutional amendment by which the legislation of that commonwealth is authorized.

The inquiry submitted is whether in the absence of power expressly given by constitutional amendment the legislature has power to provide as proposed. That such power does not exist was settled nearly fifty years ago not only in this state but in others with similar constitutional provisions as to all offices created by the several state constitutions.

In June, 1863, an act was pending in the legislature entitled "An act to secure the right of suffrage to the qualified voters of this state engaged in the military or naval service of their country," and the opinions of the justices were required as to its constitutionality. This act is identical in principle with the law now proposed. It authorized the exercise of the right of suffrage by electors who are not present at the polls; provided for prior preparation of the ballot by the voter and the presentation of the ballot to the moderator in the meeting by an attorney duly appointed by the voter, while the proposed act requires the ballot similarly previously prepared by the voter to be presented to the moderator by the town clerk to whom the ballots are to be transmitted by the voters. This law the justices advised was beyond the power of the legislature because the constitution as they construed it required "that the right of voting shall be exercised by the voter in person at the meetings duly held for the purpose in the places of the state pointed out by the constitution and at times in accordance with its provisions." 44 N. H. 633, 636. For other authorities reaching the same result see, *Opinion of the Justices*, 30 Conn. 591; 37 Vt., 655; *Chase* v. *Miller*, 41 Pa. St. 633; *Day* v. *Jones*, 31 Cal. 261; *Bourland* v. *Hildreth*, 26 Cal. 161; *People* v. *Blodgett*, 13 Mich. 127. In *Morrison* v. *Springer*, 15 Iowa, sustaining a statute for the same purpose but with different provisions the court expressly approved the opinions expressed by the justices of this court. Since 1863 it has been understood (as said by Ladd, J. in *Copp* v. *Henniker*, 53 N. H. 179, 193) "that the right of suffrage established by the constitution could not be exercised by proxy." We are not able to answer the considerations by which the conclusions of the justices were supported in 1863. Counsel who have

appeared before us in behalf of the proponents of the bill concede that it is beyond legislative power as to state offices. We therefore are constrained to advise the House of Representatives that the right of suffrage given by the constitution can not be exercised by proxy, *i. e.* by electors not present at the meeting. The occasion for legislation of this character in 1863 was the absence of many voters in the service of the army or navy of the United States during the Civil War. The difficulty was met in some states by constitutional amendment. Similar amendments have since been adopted in other states. Bulletin, Mass. Const. Convention, Vol. 2, pp. 212, 214, 219–223.

Most of the statutes adopted during the war instead of providing for voting by proxy at the place where the election was regularly held provided for special elections at the places where the electors in the service of the federal government might be. Such a law was here adopted in 1864 applicable however only to presidential electors and representatives in congress. Laws, 1864, c. 4030. The reasoning of the justices in 1863 in some portions of their opinion is apparently fatal to this law also, but with the statement that the election of federal officers was not called to their attention the justices upon inquiry from the senate expressed opinions in favor of the validity of the law of 1864. 45 N. H. 595; 37 Vt. 655. There is nothing in the opinion however expressing doubt as to the view previously expressed as to the constitutional requirements for the election of state officers. The question was as to the place where the election must be held, not whether the elector's vote could be cast in his absence.

At each of the biennial elections to which the proposed bill applies a representative in congress is elected and presidential electors and a senator in congress may be. The legislature may desire to consider the advisability of legislation of this character applying to these officers alone and we have considered this question also. This is a question not of state but of federal law and authority must be found, if it exists, in the provisions of the federal constitution. "Each state

shall appoint in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct" electors of President and Vice-President. "The Congress may determine the time of choosing the electors." Const. U. S. Art. II, s. 1. "The electors of President and Vice-President shall be appointed in each state, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in every fourth year." R. S. U. S. s. 131. As the manner of making the appointment is left to the legislature of each state there can be no constitutional objection to the scheme now proposed. The power of the legislature as to this matter is discussed in the opinion of the justices, 45 N. H. 599, 601. Holding the opinions there expressed we advise the legislature that the provisions of the proposed bill so far as applicable to the choice of presidential electors, if enacted, would be a valid exercise of legislative power.

As to representatives and senators in Congress the question is not so clear. "The House of Representatives shall be composed of members elected every second year by the people of the several states, and the electors in each state shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the state legislature." U. S. Const. Art. I, s. 2. "The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state elected by the people thereof for six years; and each senator shall have one vote. The electors in each state shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the state legislature." Art. XVII. Amendment U. S. Const.

"The times, places and manner of holding elections for senators and representatives, shall be prescribed in each state by the legislature thereof, but the Congress may at any time by law make or alter such regulations except as to the place of choosing senators." Const. U. S. Art. I, s. 4.

"All votes for representatives in Congress must be by written or printed ballot, or voting machine the use of which has been duly authorized by state law; and all votes received or recorded contrary to this section shall be of no effect."

R. S. U. S. s. 27, Laws, Feby. 14, 1899, c. 154, 30 St. 836; Comp. St. s. 24.

The advice given in 1864 (45 N. H. 595) that voting for representatives in Congress could be authorized at places other than those in which the voter was by the state constitution qualified to vote was based upon the proposition that the place where a voter was qualified to vote was no part of his qualifications as an elector. Giving a narrow construction to the term qualification it might be concluded that the requirement of the state constitution that the voter should present his vote in person related merely to the manner of voting and not to the qualifications of a voter. But the elector is not capable of voting for members of the most numerous branch of our legislature unless he is physically capable of attending the meeting and is there present in person. The requirement of the federal constitution that the electors of senators and representatives should possess the qualifications of electors of a class of legislators in the state would seem to imply that only those who by state law were permitted to vote for such legislators should have the right to vote for candidates for the federal offices. The statute quoted requires representatives in Congress to be elected by ballot. "A ballot may be defined to be a piece of paper, or other suitable material, with the name written or printed upon it of the person to be voted for; and where the suffrages are given in this form, each of the electors, in person, deposits such a vote in a box or other receptacle provided for the purpose and kept in the custody of the proper officers." Cush. Leg. Ass. s. 103; quoted with approval, Cooley's Const. Lim. *604. That at common law in all elections of a public nature every vote must be personally given is a proposition upon which the authorities are uniform. Authorities cited, 44 N. H. p. 635; Morawetz Private Corp. s. 486; McCrary Elections, s. 48; Paine on Election, s. 462; Richards Case, Clark & Hall; Cong. El. Cases, 95, 99. Congress has also fixed the day for the election of senators and representatives. R. S. U. S. s. 25; Act June 4, 1914, c. 103, s. 1, Comp. St. s. 14a.

If the election is to be held on a certain day the implication is that the vote must be cast on that day. The bill before us permits the voter to part with all control over his vote, to vote in short as early before the day of election as he can obtain a ballot. It seems most probable that Congress, when it required an election by ballot meant an election where the ballot was presented by the elector in person and we incline to the opinion that the scheme of this act for voting by proxy would not be a valid law, it enacted, as to the election of representatives and senators in Congress, As each House of Congress is judge of the elections and qualifications of its members the question can only be determined by those bodies. We have not found such a decision.

Although advisory opinions such as we now are giving are not judgments establishing the law, in practice they appear to be relied upon as authority as fully as decisions in litigated cases. Whenever possible it has been the practice in recent years to hear arguments from parties holding opposing views. The practical result is that these opinions have in effect the weight of declaratory judgments upon questions within the jurisdiction of the court of which the justices are members. In the opinion in 45 N. H. the fact that the question is one not within the jurisdiction of the judiciary of the state is not referred to. But our duty to advise under the constitution is not limited to questions which may be adjudicated by the courts of the state. *Opinion of the Justices*, 60 N. H. 585. In that case the justices advised as to the legality of the election of a United States senator by the existing legislature, a question which could be finally determined only by the senate.

It is often said that a court will not declare beyond legislative power a law which has been duly enacted unless the conflict with the constitution clearly appears. In the present case where we are asked to advise as to legislative power in advance of action upon a question not within the jurisdiction of the state it is clear we can not safely give advice which might induce affirmative action unless the power clearly exists. We have such doubt as to what might be

held by the final authority as to the validity of an election of a senator or representative in Congress which depended upon votes given by proxy as now proposed in a state where that method of voting is not permitted by state law that we are unable to advise the legislature that the proposed legislation would be valid. We are not aware of any emergency which requires action by the legislature at this time. Our opinion if expressed that the law is valid or invalid in this respect will not decide the question. Whether it is wise to proceed with legislation of at least doubtful validity is a question of expediency determinable only by the legislature. Our duty is performed by stating the legal situation as it exists.

To restate our conclusions—The manner of voting prescribed by the bill is contrary to the state constitution and its provisions would be invalid as to the election of state officers; they would be valid as to the election of presidential electors; we are unable to say the provisions would be held valid as to the election of senators and representatives in Congress.

March 29, 1921.

FRANK N. PARSONS,
JOHN E. YOUNG,
ROBERT J. PEASLEE,
WILLIAM A. PLUMMER.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS FORWARDED.

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House Bill No. 239 (in new draft), An act relating to the sale, quality and standards of dairy products.

House Bill No. 284 (in new draft), An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907 relating to a lien on standing trees covered by mortgage.

House Joint Resolution No. 22, Joint resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury.

Taken from the table.

Mr. Daniell of Greenland offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "institutions" in line 1 the words "except the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts" so that said section as amended shall read:

SECTION 1. All departments of state or state institutions except the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, receiving money for the state, from sources outside of the state treasury, shall pay the same into the state treasury monthly, with a full and detailed statement thereof, including the date of and the source from which the same was received, and the consideration therefor. Such accounts shall be stated in detail in the report of the state treasurer, but shall be stated only by properly classified totals, in the departmental reports.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Lord of Manchester was recognized to call for the unfinished business but yielded to Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough, who offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the public service commission be requested to furnish as soon as practicable to this House information contained in the reports of the Boston and Maine railroad filed with said commission for the years 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919 and 1920 bearing upon the question whether or not the New Hampshire railroads, which form a part of the Boston and Maine system, would have shown a profit on business done, if they had been operated separately from the rest of the Boston and Maine system; and if the railroads situated in New Hampshire would not, separately conducted

have operated at a profit, whether or not the loss, if any, that is chargeable to the railroads situated in New Hampshire is as large in proportion to mileage as the loss chargeable to the operation of that part of the Boston and Maine system situated outside of New Hampshire; also, whether or not the accounting of the Boston and Maine management credits to the several leased lines situated in New Hampshire the full amount of receipts that the business done by those lines are entitled to be credited with; also, what part, if any, of the losses sustained by the Boston and Maine system, taken as one operating unit, is charged up to railroads situated in New Hampshire which are operating at a profit; also, whether or not an unfair proportion of overhead expenses of the Boston and Maine system are charged to the New Hampshire lines, taking into consideration the mileage of New Hampshire lines and those parts of the system situated outside of New Hampshire; also, whether those railroad stations in New Hampshire which the Boston and Maine has discontinued service at or is contemplating a discontinuance of service at, have shown a loss in operation during all of the last six years or an average loss over the six-year period.

On a *viva voce* vote, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Lord called for the unfinished business.

House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

The question being,

Shall the bill be laid upon the table? With a division pending.

Mr. Gorham of Manchester, withdrew his call for a division, also his motion to lay the bill upon the table.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

Mr. Gorham of Manchester, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed and on this motion demanded the yeas and nays.

(Discussion ensued.)

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS, 64.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Dudley, Ibbotson, Pearson.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Foss, Reynolds, Shackford, Houston, Sherry, Knox, Parsons.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Blue.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Stone of Andover, Cross of Concord, Dodge of Concord, Amsden, Otis, Tuck, Clough.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Abbott of Antrim, Kilton, Ellsworth, Brooks of Greenfield, Howes, Burman, Challis, Gorham, Jennings, Kenney, Magan, Sheridan of Manchester, Pierce of Manchester, Chevrette, Sullivan of Manchester, Hecker, Larivee, Blais, Lamy, Maynard, Francoeur, Gagnon, Eaton of Mason, Lovejoy of Milford, Boivert of Nashua, Richard of Nashua, Hallisey, Aubut, Larouche, Pelletier, Soucy.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Tuttle of Harrisville, Hall, Barrett, of Troy, King, Wells, Barney of Winchester.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Quimby, Newell.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Carr, Harris.

COOS COUNTY.—Willett, Hutchins, Stevens of Colebrook, Hamlin, Marshall.

NAYS, 257.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.—Sawyer of Atkinson, Preston of Auburn, Flanders, Fiske, Collins, Scott, Angell, Davis of Derry, Hunt of Derry, Pillsbury, Knights, Brown of Epping, Fellowes, Hatch, Frost of Fremont, Daniell, Randall, Cole of Hampton, Parker, Fish, Stevens of Kingston, Davenport, Rousseau, Sanborn of Newmarket, Willey of Newmarket, Andrews, Dow, Towle, Fernald, Linchey, Benfield, Hodgdon, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Heffernan, Schurman, Cox, Gove, Jenness, Cole of Salem, Haigh, Kelley of Sandown, Smith of Seabrook, Haskell of Windham.

STRAFFORD COUNTY.—Locke, Fairbanks, Barrett of Dover, Willey of Durham, Smith of Farmington, Tuttle of Farmington, Davis of Lee, Hartford, Berry of New Durham, Haley, Evans, Meader, Gelinas, McDuffee, Lowe, Doe of Rollinsford, Yeaton, Rainville, Leary, Perrault, Preston of Strafford.

BELKNAP COUNTY.—Davis of Alton, Berry of Barnstead, Grant, Sanborn of Center Harbor, Rand, Tarlson, Kempton, Normandin, Avery of Laconia, Tilton, Trapp, Bell of Laconia, Philbrook, Hopkins, Peaslee of Laconia, Piper, Gordon, Wilson, Carter, Little.

CARROLL COUNTY.—Cobb, Ela, Phelps, Head, Perkins, Blanchard, McCrillis, Schenck, Palmer, Clow, Young of Wolfeboro.

MERRIMACK COUNTY.—Kenison, Farnum, Cummings, Mason of Canterbury, Call, Robinson, Swenson, Danforth, Newton, Thayer, Leavitt of Concord, Clarke, Kelley of Concord, Sargent of Concord, Lee, Jordan, Knapp, Lord of Dunbarton, Lawrence, Gilchrist, Garneau, Bartlett of Franklin, Thompson, Murdock, Otterson, Straw, Emerson, Sargent of Northfield, Bates, Cass of Pembroke, Adams of Pittsfield, Ely, Sawyer of Salisbury, Sawyer of Sutton, Chase, Sawyer of Wilmot.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.—Dodge of Amherst, Rockwood, Pettee, Brown of Goffstown, Greer, Boisvert of Greenville, Adams of Hancock, Childs, Eaton of Hillsborough, Farley, Brown of Hudson, Spalding, Cilley, Gile, Putnam of Manchester, Bartlett of Manchester, Howes, Lord of Manchester, Morton, Cavanaugh, Gray of Manchester, Prime, Roberts, Brown of Manchester, Garmon, Haselton, Merrill, Johnston, Kimball of Manchester, Rainford, Streeter, Allen of Manchester, McIntyre of Manchester, White, Appelman, Young of Merrimack, McIntire of Milford, Ordway, Kittredge, Hunt of Nashua, Winslow, Avard, Jackman of Nashua, Foisie, Ravenelle, Hooper, Walker, Frost of Pelham, Derby, Nichols, Peaslee of Weare.

CHESHIRE COUNTY.—Pierce of Dublin, Damon, Wilder, Booth, Donahue, Mower, Callahan, Mason of Keene, Fay, Gates, Dodge of Keene, Bemis, Anderson, Sawtell, Lane, Whitman, Coombs.

SULLIVAN COUNTY.—Reed, Barney of Claremont, Brooks of Claremont, Etsler, Wolcott, Austin, Davis of Croydon, Nelson, Porter, Dodge of Newport, Kendall, Chellis, Philbrick, Osborne, Ball.

GRAFTON COUNTY.—Watson, Pattee, Blandin, Abbe, Heath, Avery of Campton, Kelley of Canaan, Jackman of Enfield, Rudd, Dane, Bridgman, Cross of Hanover, Allen of Haverhill, Davison, Haskell of Holderness, Liscomb, Ross, Fogg, Batchelder, Price, Mooney, Morse of Littleton, Mason of Lyman, Pushee, Frazer, Deal, Flint, Peppard, Atwood, Steele, McLinn, Libbey, Woodbury.

COOS COUNTY.—Abramson, Beaudoin of Berlin, Hill, Cass of Columbia, Grannis, Cole of Milan, Blodgett, Rix, Stone of Stark, Kimball of Stratford, Brown of Whitefield.

And the motion to indefinitely postpone did not prevail.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On a *viva voce* vote the bill passed and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Cross of Hanover offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That House Bill No. 91, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury, be recalled from the Senate and be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Barrett of Dover raised the point of order that the resolution was out of order, the time limit for reconsideration of the bill having expired.

The speaker ruled the point of order well taken.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Ahern the following resolution was taken from the table:

Whereas, It appears that all necessary legislative work may be easily accomplished by Wednesday, April 6, *proximo*, therefore be it

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the present session of the legislature be

brought to final adjournment on Wednesday, April 6, *proximo*, at five o'clock in the afternoon, and be it further

Resolved, That all reports, bills and joint resolutions pending at that time in either branch of the legislature be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the resolution.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Ahern of Concord called for the special order House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools.

The question being on the amendments proposed by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House took a recess for one hour and ten minutes.

(After recess.)

The consideration of House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools was resumed, the amendments being taken up *ad seriatim*,

Amendment No. 1:

Amend Section 2 by inserting after the word "educational" in line 4 the following: further amend said section by striking out all of said section after the words "employees" in line 7; further amend said section by striking out all of said section after the word "employees" in line 12, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 5 (3) of said Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, by striking out in the fourth line the words "required to be taught and the minimum educational" and inserting in place thereof the words "recommended to be taught and the educational"; further amend said section by striking out all of said section after the word "employees" in line 7 so that the sub-section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 5. (3) The state board shall prescribe the qualifications and duties of the deputy commissioners provided by

Section 7 of this act, of all superintendents and assistant superintendents and teachers employed in the public schools, the subjects recommended to be taught and the educational standards for all grades of the public schools; also prescribe the qualifications and duties of its employees.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Ahern of Concord called for a division.

A division being had the vote was manifestly in the affirmative and the amendment was adopted.

Amendment No. 2.

Amend Section 3 by striking out in line 10 the words "one-half of"; further amend by striking out after the word "treasury" in line 10 the following: "*provided, however,* that if any salary recommended by the union for its superintendent or assistant superintendent exceeds 2,500 dollars per year, the entire additional amount above this sum shall be paid into the state treasury by the treasurer of the union, and the proportion for each district shall be as determined by the supervisory union for each district." So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 3. Amend sub-section 8, Section 9, of said chapter, by striking out the whole of said sub-section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 9 (8). The state board shall fix the salary or salaries of the superintendents and assistant superintendents for the supervisory unions at $2,000 per year, but any union may add such sum as it sees fit to the salary of the superintendent or assistant superintendent as fixed by the state board, and in that event the treasurer of the union before December first of each year shall pay such excess salary or salaries into the state treasury. Upon the sworn statement of the commissioner of education the salaries of all superintendents and assistant superintendents as thus fixed and determined shall be paid by the state treasurer monthly upon the warrant of the governor and council.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

Amendment No. 3.

Amend Section 7 by inserting after the word "district" in line 3 the following: "situated in a town of an equalized valuation less than the average equalized valuation of all towns in the state (all cities excluded)" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 7. Amend Section 22 of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, by striking out the whole of said section and substituting therefor the following:

SECT. 22. In any district situated in a town of an equalized valuation less than the average equalized valuation of all towns in the state (all cities excluded) in which a sum equal to one-half of one per cent of the equalized valuation of the district, that is, the valuation on which the state tax is apportioned, is insufficient to maintain the required elementary and special schools and to purchase the required textbooks, scholars' supplies, flags and appurtenances, the state board shall provide the balance of the money necessary from the money appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act; *provided, however,* that in towns or cities comprising more than one school district no special or town district shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of this section unless the town or city in which it is situated would be entitled on the basis of the expenditures of the previous year, to the benefits thereof if it constituted a single district, and *provided, furthermore,* that if in any year the approved claims of the several districts entitled to state aid shall be in excess of the appropriation a sufficient number of districts shall be omitted from the distribution to bring the total amount of the grants within the limits of the appropriation. The eliminated districts shall be those in which payments for current local expenditures for public education, as measured in dollars and cents per one thousand dollars of equalized valuation, were, during the previous year, the lowest;

except that the state board shall have authority in its discretion to withhold from such general distribution an amount not exceeding five per cent of the appropriation for state aid which it may use to furnish additional aid to districts where special need exists. As the term is used in this act the equalized valuation of a school district is the equalized valuation of the city or town of which it is composed; and in a city or town comprising more than one school district, the equalized valuation of any district shall be such a fraction of the equalized valuation of the whole city or town as the assessed valuation of the district is of the assessed valuation of the whole city or town. The sum total of aid granted in any year to any district, or to all the districts of any one town, shall not exceed $6,000.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Rainford of Manchester moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being on the amendment,

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Amendment No. 4.

Amend Section 11 by inserting after the word "passage" in line 2 the following: "Section 3 of this act shall take effect upon September 1, 1921, and," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 11. Section 6 of this act shall take effect upon its passage, Section 3 of this act shall take effect upon September 1, 1921, and all other sections at the beginning of the next school fiscal year.

The question being on the amendment,

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Angell of Derry offered the following amendment.

Amend Section 7 by striking out all of it after the word "act" in line 12, and substituting therefor the following: *provided* said appropriation is sufficient to meet such bal-

ance; otherwise, the state board shall make such adjustment as in their discretion may seem best and just to all districts in need of aid; so that the section as amended shall read:

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The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Marshall of Northumberland, offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 7 of said bill by striking out the last sentence in said section, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SECT. 7. Amend Section 22 of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, by striking out the whole of said section and substituting therefor the following: Sect. 22. In any district in which a sum equal to one-half of one per cent of the equalized valuation of the district, that is, the valuation on which the state tax is apportioned, is insufficient to maintain the required elementary and special schools and to purchase the required textbooks, scholars' supplies, flags and appurtenances, the state board shall provide the balance of the money necessary from the money appropriated to carry out the provisions of this act; *provided, however,* that in towns or cities comprising more than one school district no special

or town district shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of this section unless the town or city in which it is situated would be entitled, on the basis of the expenditures of the previous year, to the benefits thereof, if it constituted a single district; and *provided, furthermore,* that if in any year the approved claims of the several districts entitled to state aid shall be in excess of the appropriation a sufficient number of districts shall be omitted from the distribution to bring the total amount of the grants within the limits of the appropriation. The eliminated districts shall be those in which payments for current local expenditures for public education, as measured in dollars and cents per one thousand dollars of equalized valuation, were, during the previous year, the lowest; except that the state board shall have authority in its discretion to withhold from such general distribution an amount not exceeding five per cent of the appropriation for state aid which it may use to furnish additional aid to districts where special need exists. As the term is used in this act, the equalized valuation of a school district is the equalized valuation of the city or town of which it is composed; and in a city or town comprising more than one school district, the equalized valuation of the whole city or town as the assessed valuation of the district is of the assessed valuation of the whole city or town.

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

Mr. Angell of Derry, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Angell.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Lee of Concord moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the bill be indefinitely postponed?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester wished to be recorded as voting in favor of the motion.

Mr. Lord of Manchester moved that the vote whereby the House refused to indefinitely postpone the bill be reconsidered.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield moved that the rules be suspended and the bill read a third time by its title at the present time.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Rogers,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate, by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolution, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 246, An act in relation to Dartmouth College and being an amendment of Section 1 of Chapter 43, Laws of 1893.

House Bill No. 263, An act relating to the encouragement of the New Hampshire Assessors' Association.

House Bill No. 325, An act repealing Chapter 33, Section 1, Laws of 1893, as amended, relating to compensation for cattle killed.

House Bill No. 359, An act in amendment of Chapter 11, Laws of 1813, approved June 16, 1813, being the charter of Kimball Union Academy.

House Bill No. 348, An act to enable the town of Rollins-

ford and the city of Dover to contract in relation to protection against fires.

House Bill No. 347, An act to enable the town of Stratford to issue water bonds in the amount of $115,000.

House Bill No. 345, An act to provide for deficiencies in appropriations for certain departments and institutions for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1921.

House Bill No. 128, An act for the supervision and regulation of rates for workmen's compensation insurance.

House Bill No. 302, An act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds.

House Bill No. 375, An act to confirm and legalize the votes and proceedings at the annual town meeting holden in Newport on March 8, 1921.

House Joint Resolution No. 10, Joint resolution in favor of the Granite State Deaf Mute Mission.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed the following bills in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 33, An act to legalize the award of Coos county bonds.

Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relative to issuing bonds and for other purposes.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 33, An act to legalize the award of Coos county bonds.

The bill was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill and its reference to a committee dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title and passage at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the

annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relative to issuing bonds and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 4.12 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Joint Resolution No. 22 (in new draft), Joint resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin.

House Joint Resolution No. 60, Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission in regard to employers liability and workmen's compensation.

House Bill No. 239 (in new draft), An act relating to the sale, quality and standards of dairy products.

House Bill No. 284, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907 relating to a lien on standing trees covered by mortgage.

House Bill No. 356, An act in amendment of Section 13, Chapter 27 of the Laws of 1895 as amended by Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1909 relating to street railway companies.

House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury.

House Bill No. 199, An act imposing a tax upon the transfer at death of the personal property of non-residents.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 22, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to liability for neglect to repair.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer of Salisbury at 4.17 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

His Excellency, the Governor delivered the following message:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

In response to a resolution of this house, the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations has submitted a statement of the requests made by the various state departments and institutions for maintenance and other expenses for the fiscal years 1921–22 and 1922–23, and also an estimate of the special requests presented to the legislature. This report, as you have observed, goes sufficiently into detail and gives full information.

In the first place deficiency appropriations are sought by ten departments and institutions to carry them through the current year, that is, the year which began on the first day of September, 1920. The deficiencies amount to $472,000, seventy-five per cent of which is due to the operations of two of the departments and institutions and none of which is chargeable to the two years for which it is the chief business of this administration to provide. It may be remarked in passing, and with no reflection upon any individual, that without the consent of the governor and council or that of some other body authorized to give consent, it ought not to be possible to place the state in a position from which it can extricate itself only by means of large

deficiency appropriations. If it is the fault of the system, the system should be changed.

We now come to our own province. For the year 1921–22 the estimates of the departments and institutions together with the special appropriations asked for amount to $4,772,000 and for the year 1922–23 to $3,696,000. There have been some reductions of these figures by those who furnished them, but they are doubtless much more than offset by the large number of requests which ask for no definite amount.

The state derives some income from the railroad and certain other property and excise taxes as well as from various lapses, fines, fees and the like. Subtracting these sums, the total of which varies only slightly year by year and equals about $1,300,000, from the above totals and there remain to be raised by a direct state tax $3,471,000 for the first and $2,474,000 for the second of the two years for which this administration is primarily responsible.

But the state tax has never assumed such proportions. Fifteen years ago it was only $300,000 and five years ago only $800,000. It is higher this year (1920–21) than ever before with a single exception and amounts, including a special recognition tax of $200,000, to $1,700,000. And that is all it should amount to in either of the two years for which it is your normal duty to appropriate. It is gratifying to know that you have in substance so voted.

I owe my office to the position I have long held with regard to economy in public affairs and to the professions I have made in that regard. Many of you, a large majority perhaps, are similarly situated. Shall we keep the faith? Shall we do economy as well as talk it now that we have the opportunity? There is but one answer.

Manifestly the present is no time for large commitments. We have entered a period of falling prices. Food products have already declined one third. Other commodities are taking the downward course. Even the cost of building construction, now almost prohibitive, will again be normal. It is plain there is much to be gained by enterprises that can wait.

According to a tradition, which in some quarters is accepted for truth, there was about three weeks ago "a great and solemn referendum" in New Hampshire. On that occasion, so it said, the state decided not to resort to a new and swollen source of revenue which lay close at hand, but wholly to rely upon those ancient fountains which, like sugar maples, are tapped every spring and thoroughly drained of their liquid wealth. Some of us were not overjoyed at the result but we recognize our master's voice and cheerfully acquiesce as becomes good citizens and faithful public servants. In the discussion that preceded the plebiscite it was argued, among other things, that the legislature, which you compose, could not be trusted to establish new taxes lest the proceeds be misappropriated and squandered. This slander you can easily rebut by making a record for care and economy. We promised our constituents such a record. Now let us keep the promise.

Present taxes should not go up. They should come down. A rate of nearly four per cent upon a full valuation of the property assessed, which obtains in some towns, is oppressive if not confiscatory. Therefore, existing appropriations cannot be increased by you without imposing upon the owners of taxable property a greater burden than they can be expected to bear.

In view of the foregoing, I ask you to stand with me for moderate appropriations and a conservative state tax, such as, I am confident, your Committee on Appropriations will recommend. Even then, with careful management and no expansion, there should be money enough to go around and none of the state's activities should come to want.

Having wisely legislated against the destructive use of the highways, you may well provide for their maintenance. There is pending in the House a bill relating to motor vehicles with this end in view. If it becomes a law without reduction of the registration fees named therein, a plain and efficient method for the upkeep of our roads, so far as the state is concerned, will be provided outside of general taxation. No principle is plainer than that the highways should

be supported by the traffic they bear, and that to the heavier and more destructive traffic should be assigned the principal burden. I, therefore, urge the passage of House Bill No. 283 without substantial reduction of the fees named therein.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

Senate Bill No. 33, An act to legalize the award of Coos county bonds.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91, of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 25, An act relating to the proprietors of common lands, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 290, An act in amendment of Chapter 76, of the Public Statutes relating to the law of the road, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 376, An act in relation to parole officers reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 140, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 relating to the registration of motor vehicles, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by renumbering Section 1 Section 2 and renumbering the succeeding sections in numerical sequence.

Further amend said bill by inserting the following new section to be numbered Section 1:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 1 of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 by striking out said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. No motor vehicle owned or controlled by a resident of this state shall be registered under the provisions of the motor vehicle laws until the owner or person controlling the same has obtained a permit for registration from the city or town wherein such owner or person resides; *provided, however,* that this section shall not apply to motor vehicles which constitute stock in trade of a manufacturer of or a *bona fide* dealer in such motor vehicles."

Further amend said bill by striking out Section 3, as renumbered, and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 3. Amend Section 5 of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 by striking out said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 5. The treasurer of each city, or such other person as the city government may designate, and the town clerk of each town shall collect fees for such permits as follows: On each motor vehicle offered for registration a sum equal to twenty-four mills on each one dollar of the maker's list price for the current year of manufacture, seventeen mills for the first succeeding year, thirteen mills for the second succeeding year, seven mills for the third succeeding year, five mills for the fourth and succeeding years; *provided,*

that in no case shall the minimum fee be less than five dollars."

Further amend said bill by striking out Section 5, as renumbered, and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 5. Amend Section 7 of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 by striking out said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 7. For permits issued under the provisions of this act during the period beginning with the first day of October and ending with the thirty-first day of December in any year, the fees shall be one-third of the sum named in Section 5 of this act."

Further amend said bill by striking out Sections 6 and 7, as renumbered, and substituting therefor the following section:

SECT. 6. Amend Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 by striking out Section 11 thereof and adding three new sections as follows:

"SECT. 11. The term resident as used in this act shall apply to persons who have a regular place of abode or business in this state for at least six months in the calendar year; *provided, however*, that no exemption from the payment of a permit fee shall be granted by reason of non-residence except by the commissioner of motor vehicles, who shall in all cases require proof satisfactory to him (1) of residence elsewhere, and (2) of the liability of a non-resident owner, otherwise entitled to such exemption, to pay a property tax on his motor vehicle for the current year in the state of his residence.

"SECT. 12. Any person wilfully making any false statement to a town clerk or other person charged with the duty of issuing permits under this act, when applying for a permit hereunder, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

"SECT. 13. The commissioner of motor vehicles shall have authority to enforce the provisions of this act."

Further amend said bill by striking out Section 8, as renumbered, and inserting in place thereof the following section to be numbered Section 7:

SECT. 7. Sections 2, 3, and 5 of this bill shall take effect at midnight on the thirty-first day of December, 1921, and Sections 1, 4, and 6 of this bill shall take effect upon their passage.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 390, An act to amend an act passed at the January Session, 1921, relating to the protection of state roads, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Nashua the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 391, An act amending Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, relative to the taking of land for military and other purposes, with the recommendation that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on the Revision of the Statutes.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, Chapter

184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 189, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out the whole of Section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 6. Amend Section 29 of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915 by adding at the end of said section the words "except that black bass of any length may be taken from the waters of Sunapee lake at any time." So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 29 (a) Black bass not less than nine inches in length may be taken and possessed from July first to January first, except that black bass of any length may be taken from the waters of Sunapee lake at any time.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham, for the Committee on Agriculture, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 392, An act providing instruction in the keeping, care and management of bees, and for the appointment of an inspector of apiaries and the suppression of diseases, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 223, An act in amendment of the fish and game laws relating to the taking and possession of brook trout, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the amendment ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the fifth and sixth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

thereof the word six, and also by striking out all after the word "state" in the sixteenth line, so that said subdivision as amended shall read as follows:

Further amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the last sentence of said section.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 379, An act relating to the desertion of families, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Chellis of Plainfield, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 62, Joint resolution for the permanent improvement and maintenance of a certain highway in the town of Brookfield reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 393, An act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, as amended by Chapter 316 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the city of Laconia, without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Normandin of Laconia, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Winn of Nashua, for the special committee con-

sisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua, to whom was referred House Bill No. 384, An act to enable the city of Nashua to erect a statue to the memory of General John G. Foster, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Winn of Nashua, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Nashua, to whom was referred House Bill No. 377, An act to authorize the city of Nashua to issue bonds, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "four" in line 21 and inserting in place thereof the word "five," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECTION 1. The city of Nashua is hereby authorized, for the purpose of funding its outstanding and floating indebtedness existing on December 31, 1920, in the board of education of said city, and not incurred thereafter, as said indebtedness has been determined by said city by its financial statement of said date, to raise, appropriate, and borrow money to an aggregate amount of fourteen thousand dollars and to issue its bonds therefor on the credit of the city. Said issue of bonds is to be in addition to bonds already issued on or before December 31, 1920, and then outstanding, and shall not exceed the said amount of fourteen thousand dollars, and in no event shall exceed said outstanding and floating indebtedness as the same is determined as aforesaid, and shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the treasurer of the city, and shall have the city seal. Said issue of bonds shall be due and payable at such time, not more than twenty years from their date of issue, and in such amounts and in such manner, either serially or as a sinking fund issue, as the board of aldermen of said city may determine, at a rate of interest to be fixed by said board, not exceeding five per centum per annum. All bonds issued by virtue of this act and signed and sealed as herein provided

shall, in favor of *bona fide* holders, be conclusively presumed to have been duly and regularly authorized and issued in accordance with the provisions herein contained; and no holder thereof shall be obliged to see to the existence of the purpose of the issue, or to the regularity of any of the proceedings by virtue of which said bonds are issued, or to the application of the proceeds of such issue.

The report was accepted and the amendment adopted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Nashua the bill was laid upon the table.

The Committee of Conference to whom was referred House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for the naming of highways, recommended that the House recede from its position of non-concurrence and concur in the Senate amendment.

E. F. NEWTON,
L. R. FARNUM,
C. B. ROSS,
House Confrèrees.
JOHN H. GARLAND,
C. S. EMERSON,
Senate Confrèrees.

The report was accepted and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

The bill was then sent to the Senate.

The Committee of Conference to whom was referred House Bill No. 206, entitled, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants, recommended that the Senate recede from its amendment and further recommended that the House and Senate adopt the following amendment: Amend the bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 2. Examinations shall be held as often as may be

deemed necessary in the judgment of said commissioners, but not less frequently than once in each year if there be applicants. These examinations shall be given by one or more examiners appointed by said commissioners; and such examiners shall be skilled in the art of accounting, and shall have previously been engaged in the practice of public accounting. Such examinations shall include the subjects of theory of accounts, practical accounting, auditing, commercial law as affecting accountancy, and such other subjects as said commissioners may deem necessary. Examinations shall be open to any citizen of the United States or person who has in good faith declared his intention of becoming such citizen, who is a legal resident of New Hampshire, being over twenty-one years of age, of good moral character, who shall have a general education equivalent to a public high school course of recognized standing, who shall have had at least four years' accounting experience or instruction, and who shall have paid to said commissioners a fee of twenty-five dollars ($25). If the applicant fails to pass the examination, he shall, without any additional fee, be entitled to take one more examination at any time at which there are applicants to be examined."

GEO. A. FAIRBANKS,
MERRILL G. SYMONDS,
Confrèrees on the part of the Senate.
JOHN H. BROWN,
W. W. THAYER,
HERBERT E. FAY,
Confrèrees on the part of the House.

The report was accepted and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

The bill was then sent to the Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 107, An act in amendment of Chapter 86 of the Laws of 1919, relating to motor vehicles engaged in the carriage of passengers for hire.

House Bill No. 110, An act amending sub-section (b) of Section 14, of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities.

House Bill No. 219 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Section 13, of Chapter 164 of Laws of 1911, relating to public utilities.

House Bill No. 258, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1917, relating to municipal accounts.

House Bill No. 328, An act in amendment of Section 29, of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1919, in relation to fees and costs in certain cases.

House Bill No. 350, An act authorizing the Phenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Concord, N. H., to increase its guaranty capital.

House Bill No. 365, An act authorizing the county of Rockingham to issue bonds to refund bonds of the county becoming due October 1, 1921.

House Bill No. 369, An act in relation to the payment of wages.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following bill with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 292, An act in amendment of Section 8, Chapter 174 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 56, Laws of 1919, relating to who may solemnize marriage.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by striking out in the twelfth line thereof the word "a" and substituting in place thereof the words "an ordained," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECTION 1. Section 8, of Chapter 174 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 56, Laws of 1919, is hereby

amended by striking out all of said section and inserting instead thereof a new section as follows:

"SECT. 8. Marriage may be solemnized by a justice of the peace as commissioned in the state; by any minister of the gospel in the state who has been ordained according to the usage of his denomination, resides in the state, and is in regular standing with the denomination to which he belongs; and within the parish by any minister residing out of the state, but having a pastoral charge wholly or partly in this state. The governor, with the advice of the council, may issue a special commission to an ordained minister residing out of the state authorizing him in a special case to marry a couple within the state. The names and residences of the couple proposed to be married in such special case shall be stated in the commission, and no power shall be conferred to marry any other parties than those named therein. The fee for this special commission shall be five dollars ($5)."

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate had passed the following bill in Senate new draft, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 288 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Elliot.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Elliot.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill No. 288 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions.

The bill was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, the rules were suspended and its reference to a committee dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Kenney of Manchester offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It has been suggested by a number of members of this House that many ties might be cemented and many pleasant associations renewed, if arrangements were made for reunions under a legislative association, membership in which shall include representatives, senators, House and Senate officials, heads of state departments, and the legislative newspaper reporters. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the speaker appoint a committee of seven members of the House, to act with such members of the Senate as may join to consider the plan and take such measures to complete an organization as may be advisable.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

The Speaker appointed as members of such committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Kenney of Manchester, Cross of Concord, Knapp of Danbury, Blanchard of Moultonborough, Meader of Rochester, Leavitt of Portsmouth and Boisvert of Greenville.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Knox of Madbury, House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses

of John E. Weeden, incident to the trial of *State* v. *John E. Weeden* for manslaughter.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Reynolds of Dover raised the point of order that the remarks of the gentleman speaking were not germane to the question.

The speaker ruled the point of order not well taken.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the bill was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Manchester at 12.42 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 140, An act in amendment of Chapter 55, of the Laws of 1919, relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

House Bill No. 290, An act in amendment of Chapter 76, of the Public Statutes, relating to the law of the road.

House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 89, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game.

House Bill No. 376, An act in relation to parole officer.

House Bill No. 384, An act to enable the city of Nashua to erect a statue to the memory of General John G. Foster.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91,

of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses.

Senate Bill No. 25, An act relating to the proprietors of common lands.

House Bill No. 288 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915 and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Mr. Cotton of Nashua moved that the following resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that

Whereas, The welfare of the state requires that the health and the morals of its women workers should be protected, and

Whereas, An inadequate wage has a pernicious influence upon their health and morals, therefore

Resolved, We recommend that the governor be requested to appoint a committee of three persons who shall serve without compensation to investigate whether there is need of a minimum wage law in the state, and, if such be the case to report to the legislature of 1923, with such recommendations as will remedy the situation.

be taken from the table, but subsequently withdrew his motion.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Nashua, the order whereby Senate Bill No. 24, An act relating to highways, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary be vacated and the bill be referred to the Committee on Public Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester, at 3.20 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this afternoon, it adjourn out of respect to the memory of Hon. Joe W. Daniels.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Cole of Salem was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the week on account of a death in his family.

Mr. Newton of Concord was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 107, An act in amendment of Chapter 86, of the Laws of 1919, relating to motor vehicles engaged in the carriage of passengers for hire.

House Bill No. 258, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1917, relating to municipal accounts.

House Bill No. 350, An act authorizing the Phenix Mutual Life Insurance Company of Concord, N. H., to increase its guaranty capital.

House Bill No. 365, An act authorizing the county of Rockingham to issue bonds to refund bonds of the county becoming due October 1, 1921.

House Bill No. 390, An act to amend an act passed at the January session, 1921, relating to the protection of state roads.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 6, An act to promote the public health by providing protection for

maternity and infancy, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 285, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 159, Laws of 1913, relating to a division of the state into forest fire districts, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 8, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The question being,

Shall the joint resolution be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 12, Joint resolution in favor of repairing Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The question being,

Shall the joint resolution be read a third time?

On a *viva voce* vote the negative prevailed.

Mr. Ahern of Concord, called for a division.

A division being had, 172 members voted in the affirmative and 93 members voted in the negative, and the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 63, Joint resolution to provide for the deficit in the department of the State Board of Education for the years 1920–1921, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 394, An act relating to compensation of the employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 151, Laws of 1919, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 52, Joint resolution appropriating money for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, reported the same in a new draft, with the recommendation that the joint resolution in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution in its new draft read a first time.

The second reading of the joint resolution having begun on motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the further reading of the joint resolution was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relating to diseases of domestic animals, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 2 of said bill by striking out in line 1 the words "one hundred and fifty" and inserting in place thereof the words "seventy-five"; further amend said section by inserting after the word "succeeding" in line 4 the word "fiscal," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. The sum of seventy-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Chapter 113 as amended by Section 1 of this act during each of the two succeeding fiscal years following its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 15, An act relating to the salary of register of probate of Sullivan county, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "fifteen" in line 2 and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The salary of the register of probate of Sullivan county shall be twelve hundred dollars per annum payable as now provided by law.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 236, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Strafford, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "fifteen" in

line 2 and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The salary of the register of probate for the county of Strafford shall hereafter be twelve hundred dollars per annum, payable at the same time and in the same manner as now payable.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 17, Joint resolution for additional improvements at the state hospital, reported the same with the following amendments and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out in line 1 the figures "$183,500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "$50,000"; further amend by striking out in line 3 the figures and words "For a house for male attendants, and furnishings $133,000." So that said joint resolution as amended shall read as follows:

That the sum of $50,500 be, and the same is hereby appropriated for additional improvements, at the state hospital, as follows: For a new bakery and equipment, $40,500; and for the renovation of certain wards in the Kimball, Chandler and Rumford wings, and the third floor of the Bancroft building, $10,000.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 259, An act in amendment of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the state tax commission, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 2 by striking out in lines 9 and 22 the words "to be fixed by the governor and council" and inserting in place thereof the words: "of not exceeding $1,400," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 7, of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911, by substituting the word "monthly" for the word "quarterly" wherever it appears in said section; further amend said section by adding after the words "appoint a" in the last sentence thereof the following: "chief clerk who shall also serve as"; and further amend said section by substituting for the words "not exceeding nine hundred dollars per annum" in the last sentence thereof the words "of not exceeding $1,400," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 7. The annual salary of the secretary of the commission shall be three thousand dollars, and of each of the other members of the commission, twenty-five hundred dollars, and such shall be paid from the state treasury in equal monthly payments. Supplies required by the commission, and necessary expenses of the commission, and such assistants as may be employed, while on the business of the commission, and fees of witnesses summoned by the commission shall be paid by the state upon the approval of the governor and council. Said commission may appoint a chief clerk who shall also serve as stenographer at a salary of not exceeding $1,400, which shall be paid from the state treasury in equal monthly payments, and, with the approval of the governor and council, such other assistants as may be necessary.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, reported the same, with the following amendment and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out in line 21 the figures "$50,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figures: "$40,000,"; further amend said joint resolution by striking out the word "September" in the last line and

inserting in place thereof the word "July," so that said resolution as amended shall read as follows:

That for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, and who are unable to pay the cost of such treatment; and for the encouragement of the establishment and maintenance of sanatoria for the treatment of such persons, the State Board of Charities and Correction be and hereby are authorized to engage free beds in such sanatoria or other places as have been approved by the State Board of Health for the treatment of such persons as the State Board of Charities and Correction may specify. Indigent consumptives, citizens of the state, who are unable to pay any part of the cost of said treatment, may be admitted to said free beds by the authority of the secretary of the State Board of Charities and Correction in accordance with the ordinary regulations of said sanatoria. Persons in needy circumstances, who, by themselves, relatives or friends, are unable to pay part of the cost of said treatment when the State Board of Charities and Correction so certify and stipulate the proportion the state shall assume to pay. This act shall not be construed so as to deprive any person to whom aid is rendered of any right that he may have at the time of his admission to said sanatorium. To pay the expenses of engaging said free beds and assisting persons in needy circumstances to treatment in said sanatoria, a sum not exceeding $40,000 for each of the years 1921 and 1922 is hereby appropriated, and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. This joint resolution shall take effect July 1, 1921.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 30, Joint resolution for the erection of a stock barn and purchase of land at the State Industrial School, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in place thereof the following: That the sum of two thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for improvements at the State Industrial School, as follows: For the purchase of a parcel of land, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Amend said title by striking out the words "erection of a stock barn and, so that said title as amended will read as follows: "for the purchase of land at the State Industrial School."

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 43, Joint resolution to provide for co-operation with the United States Geological Survey in the establishment and maintenance of stream flow gauging stations reported the following amendment and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the words and figures "four thousand ($4,000)" in line 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: "three thousand ($3,000)", so that said joint resolution as amended shall read:

That the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated to be used and expended under the direction of the public service commission for the purpose of co-operating with the United States Geological Survey in the establishment and maintenance of stream flow gauging stations on streams of this state for the purpose of providing the people of the state with information that will further industrial development. A report of the results of this work and recommendations based thereon, shall be made to the next legislature.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appro-

priations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 48, Joint resolution in favor of the School of Feeble Minded, reported the same with the following amendment and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the words, "for tractor, ploughs and equipment, twenty-five hundred dollars" in line 4, so that said joint resolution as amended shall read:

That the following sums be and hereby are appropriated for the School of the Feeble Minded: For the purchase of the Marshall farm, twelve thousand dollars; for repairs and furniture, two thousand dollars. The same to be expended under the direction of the trustees of the School for Feeble Minded, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 27, An act in amendment of Chapter 90, of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 18, An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 78 of the Laws of 1897, in relation to caucuses and elections, reported the same with the following

amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out in Section 1 the words "applicable to city elections" and substituting therefor the words "not inconsistent with the provisions of their charters," so that said section as amended shall read: "SECTION 1. Amend Section 8, Chapter 78, Laws of 1897, by striking out all of said Section 8 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'SECT. 8. Cities holding their election on a day other than the day of the biennial state elections in the choice of city and ward officers shall be governed by the provisions of this act, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of their charters. Towns holding their elections on a day other than the day of the biennial state elections, in the election of town officers chosen by ballot, may adopt the provisions of this act, so far as they are applicable to town elections. In such cases the ballots shall be prepared by the city or town clerk, and printed at the expense of such city or town, and the time for filing certificates of nominations and the nomination papers shall be at least six days prior to the day of election. Towns having voted to adopt such provisions may rescind the vote by which they were adopted.'"

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 85 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes, relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 1. Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting instead thereof the following: 'SECT. 4.

For the county of Carroll,—at Ossipee on the first Tuesday of every month.'"

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 9, An act to amend Chapter 50, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils, by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by inserting the following sentence at the end of Section 1: "In case of the election or appointment of any member of the city councils to any office where the remuneration of said office does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars in any one year as hereinbefore provided, said member shall not be present or vote when his said election or appointment is made."

So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Chapter 50, Section 2 of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. The city councils shall have the power to provide for the appointment or election of all necessary officers for the good government of the city not otherwise provided for, and to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation; but no person who is a member of the city councils shall be elected by the city councils or appointed by the mayor and board of aldermen to any office pertaining to elections or where the remuneration of said office exceeds the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) in any one year. In case of the election or appointment of any member of the city councils to any office where the remuneration of said office does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars in any one year as hereinbefore provided, said member shall not be present or vote when his said election or appointment is made.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 395, An act in relation to jurors and being in amendment of Chapter 209 of the Public Statutes, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 396, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Peterborough to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Peterborough the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 397, An act to legalize the vote of the town of Kingston at a meeting held on the eighth day of March, 1921, exempting certain property of the Granite Shoe Company and Pentucket Shoe Company from taxation, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 64, Joint resolution to authorize the appointment of a board of publicity, without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 193, An act relating to the conservation of New Hampshire water power reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out Sections 1 and 2 and substituting therefor the following: "Section 1. That the governor and council are hereby authorized to appoint a commission to consist of three members to confer with a similar commission or commissions from any other state or states to consider under what arrangements or conditions the state of New Hampshire should co-operate with said state or states in the conservation of water or water power in this state.

"SECT. 2. Said commission shall serve without compensation."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Callahan of Keene, for the Committee on Liquor Laws, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill in its new draft read a first and second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 148, An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 68 of the Laws of 1903, relating to exemption of certain disabled soldiers and sailors from paying a poll tax, reported the same in a new draft and

with a new title, with the recommendation that the bill in its new draft and with its new title ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill in its new draft read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended so as to allow of the introduction of reports from committees not having previously advertised the same in the journal of the House.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 344, An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent construction of highway bridges throughout the state, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 16 of said bill by striking out in line 5 the word "fifty" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 16. To meet the financial obligations of the state to be incurred under the provisions of this act there shall be appropriated annually to meet expenses of new construction the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium, reported the same in a new draft with the recommendation that the joint resolution in its new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first time.

The second reading of the joint resolution having begun,

on motion of Mr. Murdock of Hill, the further reading of the joint resolution was dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman, the rules were further suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 65, Joint resolution providing for the deficit of the State Industrial School, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, at 12.50 o'clock, the House took a recess for 1 hour and 10 minutes.

(After recess.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 343, An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of drugs and medicines, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Winslow of Nashua, for the Committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 24, An act relating to highways, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended to to pass.

Amend said bill by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following:

An act relating to the laying out of highways in the town of Goffstown.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Education, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 398, An act relating to the consolidation of separate school districts within a town or city, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Normandin of Laconia, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 399, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 286 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 117, Laws of 1919, relating to the salary of the register of probate for Belknap county without recommendation.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 45, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire state Prison, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lewis of Alstead, for the Committee on the Journal of the House, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 400, An act to increase tax revenues and reduce tax rates, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the rules were

suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 234, An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of beverages, ice cream and candy, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 3 by inserting after the words "ice cream" in line 8 the words "for resale"; further amend Section 3 by striking out the figures "1,000" in line 8 and inserting in place thereof the figures "2,500," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 3. The license fee to be paid by a resident manufacturer or bottler of beverages shall be fifty dollars ($50); that for the manufacture of ice cream and of candy for sale at wholesale, except as otherwise provided, fifty dollars ($50); for the annual registration of the products of each individual non-resident manufacturer, as provided in Section 2, fifty dollars ($50); for the manufacture of ice cream and candy exclusively for retail sale by a manufacturer in his own place of business, and for the manufacture of ice cream for resale in amount not exceeding 2,500 gallons per annum, five dollars ($5); and for the established operation of a counter or fountain for the retail sale of ice cream or beverages by the glass, five dollars ($5). *Provided*, that the holder of a manufacturer's license shall not be required to pay for a fountain or counter license; nor shall the term "manufacture" be construed to apply to the preparation of beverages exclusively for sale by the glass within the same establishment. All fees so received by the said board shall be paid into the state treasury.

Amend Section 6 by inserting the words "manufacture or" in line 19 after the words "nor to," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 6. No person, firm or corporation shall, for personal profit, temporarily operate or maintain a counter,

stand, booth or vehicle for the sale of beverages by the glass, or of ice cream, without having secured a license therefor issued by the health department of the town or city concerned, same to be at the direction and with the authorization of the state board of health. Before issuing such license the said health department shall satisfy itself that the place will be properly equipped, conducted in a sanitary manner, and in accordance with the rules and regulations as hereinafter provided for, and that only products of legal quality will be sold. Said license shall be conspicuously displayed to the public. The license fee for such temporary operation or maintenance for a period of twenty-four hours or less shall be one dollar ($1), and for not exceeding one week, five dollars ($5), in the case of a resident who is over fifteen years of age; and for a non-resident, for a period of one week or less, fifty dollars ($50), these fees to be received by the city or town. Such license may be suspended or summarily revoked for cause by the local health department or by any inspector or agent of the state board of health. *Provided*, that the requirements of this section shall not apply to the serving of beverages from the bottle direct, nor to manufacture or sales where the profits are devoted to charity or for the benefit of religious or social organizations, nor to manufacturers or dealers licensed as provided in Section 1.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relative to issuing bonds and for other purposes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 1, An act to permit absent voters and voters who by reason of physical disability

are unable to vote in person to vote at state elections, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 14, An act providing for the nomination of representatives to the general court, moderator, supervisors and other town and ward officers, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 71, An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 3 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the publication of statutes, journals and reports, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 387, An act in reference to the terms of Superior Court in and for the county of Grafton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 16, Joint resolution to assist the town of Merrimack in the erection of a concrete arch bridge in the town of Merrimack, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appro-

priations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 61, Joint resolution to provide for the enlargement of the Plymouth Normal School, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 24, Joint resolution for the construction of a bridge crossing the Connecticut river between the town of Dalton, New Hampshire, and the town of Lunenburg, Vermont, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 56, Joint resolution to provide for the protection of the state boulevard in Hampton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resoution No. 42, Joint resolution to assist the town of Goshen in the erection of two bridges, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 36, Joint resolution to assist the town of Freedom in the erection of a permanent bridge in the town of Freedom, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 25, Joint resolution in aid of the town of Lebanon in building a bridge across the Mascoma river, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 53, Joint resolution for the permanent construction of the highway in the town of Whitefield leading from Whitefield village to the proposed Cherry Mountain highway, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 55, Joint resolution to establish a branch laboratory of hygiene at Manchester, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

The Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 59, Joint resolution appropriating money for agricultural fairs in New Hampshire, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 382, An act in relation to Cheshire county jail, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by another bill previously reported favorably.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 286, An act providing for the purchase of a new forest nursery, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 279, An act to increase the salary of deputy register of probate of Hillsborough county, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 351, An act providing for the erection of standard highway danger signals, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 326, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Grafton, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 349, An act relating to the salary of the deputy register of probate of the

county of Merrimack, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1917, relating to factory inspection, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the bill with the accompanying report was laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, April 5 at 11.01 o'clock.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 and amendments thereto and enacting a motor vehicle law reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by striking out in line 9 the words "an automobile" and inserting in place thereof the words "a motor vehicle";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting after line 25 the following paragraph:

"*Motor Truck.*" Any motor vehicle of greater than one ton capacity intended, designed, or constructed for the transportation of freight or merchandise, or any motor vehicle equipped with other than pneumatic tires.

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 28 the words "load independently" and inserting in place thereof the words "a load";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "exclusively" in line 31 the words "on snow or";

Further amend Section 1 by adding at the end of line 34 the following: "and shall not include a pair or set of wheels commonly used as an implement for other purposes than transportation."

Further amend Section 1 by striking out in line 44 the words "an automobile" and inserting in place thereof the words "a motor vehicle";

Further amend Section 1 by inserting after the word "a" in line 45 the word "motor," so that said Section 1 as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Terms used in this act shall be construed as follows, unless a different meaning is clearly apparent from the language or context, or unless such construction is inconsistent with the manifest intention of the legislature:

"Commissioner" shall mean the commissioner of motor vehicles for the state of New Hampshire.

"Vehicle." Any mechanical device suitable for use on highways except those propelled or drawn by human power of those used exclusively upon tracks.

"Chauffeur" shall mean any person who operates a motor vehicle other than his own, and who directly or indirectly receives compensation therefor.

"Dealer" shall include every person who is engaged principally in the business of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles, on commission or otherwise.

"Garage" shall mean every place where five or more motor vehicles are stored or housed at any one time, except only such places in which motor vehicles are kept by the owners thereof without payment for storage.

"Intersecting way" shall mean any way which joins another at an angle, whether or not it crosses the other.

"Motor cycle" shall apply only to motor vehicles having but two wheels in contact with the ground and with pedals and a saddle on which the driver sits astride.

"Motor cycle operator" shall mean any person who operates a motor cycle.

"Motor vehicle." Any self-propelled vehicle not operated exclusively upon tracks, except tractors.

"Motor truck" any motor vehicle of greater than one ton capacity intended, designed, or constructed for the transportation of freight or merchandise, or any motor vehicle equipped with other than pneumatic tires.

"Sidecar." A one-wheel attachment attached to a motor cycle.

"Tractor." Any self-propelled vehicle designed or used as a traveling power plant or for drawing other vehicles, but having no provision for carrying a load.

"Trailer." Any vehicle without motive power designed for carrying property or passengers wholly on its own structure and for being drawn by a self-propelled vehicle, except those running exclusively on snow or on tracks.

"Semi-Trailer." A vehicle of the trailer type, so designed and used in conjunction with a self-propelled vehicle that a considerable part of its own weight or that of its load rests upon and is carried by the towing vehicle, and shall not include a pair or set of wheels commonly used as an implement for other purposes than transportation.

"Pneumatic tires." Tires of rubber and fabric, inflated with air.

"Solid tires." Tires of rubber or similarly elastic material that do not depend on confined air for the support of the load.

"Non-resident" shall apply to residents of states, districts or countries who have no regular place of abode or business in this state for a period of more than three months continuously in the calendar year.

"Number plate" shall mean the sign or marker furnished by the commissioner, on which is displayed the register number or mark of a motor vehicle assigned to such motor vehicle by the commissioner.

"Operator" shall mean any person who operates a motor vehicle.

"Owner," any person, firm, corporation or association holding title to a motor vehicle or having exclusive right to the use thereof for a period greater than 30 days.

"Person," wherever used in connection with the regis-

tration of a motor vehicle, shall include all corporations, associations, partnerships, companies, firms or other aggregations of individuals who own or control such vehicles, in any capacity, or for any purpose.

"Police officer" or "officer" shall include any constable or other officer authorized to make arrest or serve process.

"Register number" shall apply to the number or mark assigned by the commissioner to a motor vehicle.

"Thickly settled or business part of a city or town" shall mean the territory of a city or town contiguous to any way which is built up with structures devoted to business, or the territory of a city or town contiguous to any way where the dwelling houses are situated at such distances as will average less than one hundred feet between such dwelling houses for a distance of a quarter of a mile or over.

"Way" shall mean any public highway, street, avenue, road, alley, park, or parkway, or any private way laid out under authority of statute.

Amend Section 2 by inserting after the word "accident" in line 28 the following: "*provided, however*, that the decease of the owner of a registered motor vehicle shall not terminate such registration until the following 31st day of December, unless there be an actual transfer of ownership of such motor vehicle" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. Application for the registration of motor vehicles may be made by the owner thereof by mail or otherwise to the commissioner, upon blanks prepared under his authority. The application shall contain, in addition to such other particulars as may be required by the commissioner, a statement of the name, place of residence and street address of the applicant, with a brief description of the motor vehicle, including the name of the maker, the number, if any, affixed by the maker and the character of the motor power. The proper fee, as provided in Section 25, shall be deposited before said application is granted.

The commissioner or his duly authorized agents shall then

register in a book or upon suitable index cards to be kept for the purpose, the motor vehicle described in the application, giving to said vehicle a distinguishing number or other mark to be known as the register number for said vehicle, and shall thereupon issue to the applicant a certificate of registration. Said certificate shall contain the name, place of residence and address of the applicant and the register number or mark, and shall be in such form and contain such further information as the commissioner shall determine.

An applicant for the registration of a motor vehicle, who does not file his application therefor until after the thirtieth day of September in any year shall be entitled to a reduction in the fee for such registration as provided in Section 25.

Upon the transfer of ownership of any motor vehicle, its registration shall expire, and the person in whose name such vehicle is registered shall return forthwith the certificate of registration to the commissioner with a written notice containing the date of such transfer of ownership and the name, place of residence, and address of the new owner, or in case of total loss by fire, theft or accident, a written statement under oath setting forth all the circumstances attending such total loss by fire, theft or accident, *provided, however*, that the decease of the owner of a registered motor vehicle shall not terminate such registration until the following 31st day of December, unless there be an actual transfer of ownership of such motor vehicle. A person who transfers the ownership of a registered motor vehicle owned by him to another or which is totally lost by fire, theft or accident, upon the filing of a new application, and upon the payment of the fee provided in Section 25, may have registered in his name another motor vehicle for the remainder of the calendar year, *provided*, the registration fee of said motor vehicle is the same or less than that of the motor vehicle first registered by him; but if the registration fee of the motor vehicle is greater than that of the motor vehicle first registered by him, the applicant shall pay, in addition to the said fee, the difference between the fee paid by him for the said vehicle first registered and

the fee for the registration of a motor vehicle of the higher registration fee provided in Section 25.

The commissioner, at his discretion, may assign to the motor vehicle of any person who surrenders his registration certificate, as herein provided, and who desires to register another motor vehicle, the register number of the motor vehicle described in the surrendered certificate, or in the statement as hereinbefore provided for in the case of loss by fire, theft or accident. Said commissioner shall furnish at his office without charge, to every person whose motor vehicle is registered as aforesaid, two number plates of suitable design, each number plate to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such vehicle, the letters N. H., and figures showing the year of the issue. The registration of every motor vehicle shall expire at midnight upon the thirty-first day of December of each year, unless otherwise provided.

No person shall operate or cause to be operated on the ways of this state any motor vehicle unless the same has been registered with the commissioner of motor vehicles in accordance with the provisions of this act. Any person who shall make any false statement in application for registration shall be punished as provided in Section 15 of this act.

Amend Section 3 by striking out after the word "until" in line 10 the word "the" and inserting in place thereof the word "such"; further amend said section by striking out the word "automobile" in line 16 and inserting in place thereof the words "motor vehicle," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 3. (a) A motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state, who has complied with the laws of his state, district or country relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, may be operated upon the ways of this state for a period not exceeding twenty days in any one calendar year, without registration, except as otherwise provided in Section 8. In estimating the number of days of use by a non-resident under the foregoing privilege, any

fractional part of a day's use within this state shall be held to be a day. Every such vehicle so operated shall have displayed upon it the distinguishing number or mark of the state, district or country in which the owner thereof resides, and none other, until such vehicle is registered in accordance with the provisions of this act. A motor vehicle so owned may be operated also in this state during the months of July, August and September in any year if application for the registration thereof is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 and the proper fee provided for in Section 25 is paid and the said vehicle is duly registered by the commissioner or his authorized agent. The commissioner shall furnish at his office without charge, to every person whose motor vehicle is registered as aforesaid, two number plates of suitable design and triangular in shape each number plate to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such vehicle, the letters N. H., and figures showing the year of issue.

(b) A motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state who has complied with the laws of his state relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles who has a bona fide actual residence in a state granting like privileges to residents of this state, which residence is located within fifteen miles by highway of the border line of this state, may be operated upon any ways of this state distant not more than fifteen miles from the border line of his state if application for the registration thereof is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 and the proper fee provided for in Section 25 is paid and the said motor vehicle is duly registered by the commissioner or his authorized agent. The commissioner shall furnish at his office, without charge, to every person whose motor vehicle is registered as aforesaid, a metal tag of suitable design, and oval in shape to have displayed upon it the register number assigned to such motor vehicle, the letters N. H., and figures showing the year of the issue, but no such tag shall be furnished by the commissioner for motor cycles. Such tag shall at all times be conspicuously displayed on the front of such

motor vehicle. Every application filed under the provisions of (a) and (b) of this section shall be sworn to by the applicant before a justice of the peace or a notary public.

Amend Section 7 of said bill by striking out the word, "subscribe" in line 9 and inserting in place thereof the word, "prescribe"; further amend said section by striking out the figures and words "26 of said chapter," after the word "section" in line 12 and inserting in place thereof the words, "25 of this act" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 7. Except as herein otherwise provided, no person shall operate a motor vehicle within this state until he shall have first obtained a license for that purpose. Application to operate motor vehicles may be made by mail or otherwise to the commissioner on blanks prepared under his authority. Application for license to so operate shall be accompanied with the proper fee as provided for in Section 25.

Before a license is granted to any person, except to a non-resident, who has not been heretofore licensed to operate a motor vehicle in this state, the applicant shall pass an examination as to his qualifications, which examination shall be such as the commissioner shall prescribe, and no license shall be issued until the commissioner is satisfied that the applicant is a proper person to receive it; *provided, however*, that if an applicant for a license to operate motor vehicles under the provisions of this section has been granted a non-resident certificate as provided in Section 25 of this act for the current year, the commissioner may issue such license without an examination.

No license to operate motor vehicles shall be issued to any person under sixteen years of age.

To each person to whom an operator's license is granted by the commissioner shall be assigned some distinguishing number or mark, and the license issued shall be in such form and subject to such conditions of limitation or otherwise as the commissioner may deem expedient. License certificates shall contain the distinguishing number or

mark assigned to the licensee, his name, place of residence and address, and a brief description of the licensee, for the purposes of identification; together with such other information as the commissioner may deem necessary.

A person to whom an operator's or chauffeur's license has been issued, unless such license contains a special limitation or restriction, may operate any registered motor cycle.

Special licenses shall be issued to chauffeurs who have passed a chauffeur's examination, but no such license shall be issued to any person less than eighteen years of age.

Every person licensed to operate motor vehicles as aforesaid shall endorse his usual signature on the margin of the license, in a space provided for the purpose, immediately upon receipt of said license, and such license shall not be valid until so endorsed.

All licenses to operate motor vehicles shall expire at midnight on December thirty-first of the year of their issue.

All applications for licenses to operate motor vehicles shall be sworn to by the applicant before a justice of the peace or a notary public.

Amend Section 13 of said bill by striking out the period (.) after the word "only" in line 16 and inserting in place thereof (;) and adding the following: "*further provided*, that the provisions of this section relating to speed shall not apply to motor vehicles of a fire department, motor police patrols, or motor ambulances, when in the emergency service of their respective departments" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 13. If any person shall operate a motor vehicle on any way at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper, having regard to traffic and the use of the way, and the safety of the public, he shall be punished as provided in Section 16 of this act, and it shall be conclusive evidence of a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper as aforesaid if a motor vehicle is operated on any way outside of a thickly settled or business part of a city or town at a rate exceeding twenty-five miles per hour for a distance of

a quarter of a mile. It shall be conclusive evidence of a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper as aforesaid if a motor vehicle is operated on any way inside the thickly settled or business part of a city or town at a rate of speed exceeding fifteen miles per hour for the distance of one-eighth of a mile, or if a motor vehicle is operated on any way upon approaching an intersecting way, or in traversing a crossing or intersection of ways or in going around a corner or a curve in a street or way where the operator's view of the road traffic is obstructed, at a rate of speed exceeding ten miles per hour; *provided, however*, that in civil actions this evidence shall be *prima facie* only; *further provided*, that the provisions of this section relating to speed shall not apply to motor vehicles of a fire department, motor police patrols, or motor ambulances, when in the emergency service of their respective department.

Amend Section 14 of said bill by striking out the word "motor" before the word "vehicles" in lines 3, 11 and 14; further amend said section by striking out in lines 14 and 15 the following: "or which excludes such vehicles therefrom, or which governs or restricts the use of such vehicles" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 14. Selectmen of towns, city governments, or any board, department or commission in any town or city, having jurisdiction of the subject matter, may make special regulations as to the use of vehicles upon particular ways, except as to speed, and may exclude such vehicles altogether from certain ways; *provided, however*, that no such special regulation shall be effective unless it shall have been published in one or more newspapers, if there be any in the city or town in which the way is situated, otherwise in one or more newspapers published in the county in which the city or town is situated, nor unless notice of the same is posted conspicuously by the city, town, board, department or commission making the regulation, at points where any way affected hereby joins other ways but no regulation shall be valid which excludes vehicles from any state highway or from any main highway leading from any city or town to

another. No ordinance, by-law, or regulation now in force in any city or town or in any parkway or park which regulates the speed at which vehicles shall be run upon its way, shall hereafter have any force or effect.

Amend Section 18 by striking out the word "motor" before the word "vehicles" in lines 1, 4 and 7; further amend by striking out the words "Sections 13 and 14 of this act" and inserting in place thereof the following: "Section 13 of this act, or any special regulation made under the authority conferred by Section 14 of this act" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 18. Whoever upon any way operates a vehicle recklessly or while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or so that the lives or safety of the public might be endangered, or upon a bet, wager, or race, or who operates a vehicle for the purpose of making record, and thereby violates any provisions of Section 13 of this act, or any special regulation made under the authority conferred by Section 14 of this act, shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both, and if any person be convicted a second time of operating a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, he shall be punished by imprisonment not less than one month and not exceeding one year. A conviction of a violation of this section shall be reported forthwith by the court or trial justice to the commissioner, who shall revoke immediately the license of the person so convicted and the commissioner may revoke the license of any person who shall be convicted of a similar offense by a court of any other state.. Whenever any person so convicted appeals, the said commissioner shall suspend forthwith the license of the person so convicted and shall order him to deliver his license to said commissioner, and shall not reissue said license until said person is acquitted in a court having jurisdiction of the offense charged. No new license or certificate shall be issued by said commissioner to any person convicted of a violation of this section until after sixty days from the date of such final conviction.

Further amend said bill by striking out Section 25 thereof and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 25. The commissioner or his authorized agents shall collect fees as follows:

a. For the registration of every motor cycle, five dollars ($5.00).

b. For the registration of every motor cycle sidecar, three dollars ($3.00).

c. For the registration of every motor vehicle, other than motor cycles, trucks, or tractors, sixty cents ($0.60) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load, *provided, however,* that the minimum fee shall be fifteen dollars ($15.00).

d. For the registration of every motor truck and tractor equipped with pneumatic tires sixty cents ($0.60) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load, *provided, however,* that the minimum fee under this paragraph shall be twenty dollars ($20.00).

e. For the registration of every motor truck and tractor equipped with solid rubber tires, eighty-five cents ($0.85) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load, *provided, however,* that the minimum fee under this paragraph shall be thirty dollars ($30.00).

f. For the registration of every motor vehicle or tractor equipped with iron, steel, or other hard tires, one dollar ($1.00) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load.

Tractors used for agricultural purposes only and tractors used only on snow shall pay one tenth the above rate.

g. For the registration of every trailer and semi-trailer equipped with pneumatic tires fifty cents ($0.50) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load.

h. For the registration of every trailer and semi-trailer equipped with solid rubber tires, sixty-five cents ($0.65) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load.

i. For the registration of every trailer and semi-trailer equipped with iron, steel or other hard tires, ninety cents

($0.90) per one hundred (100) pounds gross weight of vehicle and load.

j. For the substitution of the registration of a motor vehicle for that of another motor vehicle previously registered in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this act, two dollars ($2.00).

k. For the registration of every motor vehicle owned by a non-resident who applies for registration under the provisions of Section 3 (a) of this act, and for the registration of every motor vehicle during the period beginning with the first day of October and ending with the thirty-first day of December, in any year, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this act, one half of the foregoing fees, *provided, however*, that if such motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state is used, or is intended to be used for hire, the commissioner shall collect the full fee according to the rated weight and class hereinbefore provided.

l. For the registration of motor vehicles owned by or under the control of a manufacturer of or dealer in motor vehicles, eighty-five dollars ($85.00).

m. For the registration of motor cycles owned by or under the control of a manufacturer of or dealer in motor cycles, including three pairs of plates to be furnished with the certificate of registration, fifteen dollars ($15.00).

n. For every additional number plate furnished to replace such as have been lost or mutilated, or which are illegible, one dollar ($1.00) and for every additional pair of number plates furnished to a manufacturer of or dealer in motor vehicles, other than motor cycles, whose business requires more than six pairs of such plates, eight dollars ($8.00). For every additional pair of number plates furnished to a manufacturer or dealer in motor cycles whose business requires more than three pairs of such plates, two dollars ($2.00).

o. For each operator's original license and examination, three dollars ($3.00); for each chauffeur's original license and examination, five dollars ($5.00); and for all subse-

quent operator's and chauffeur's licenses, two dollars ($2.00) each.

p. For each motor cycle operator's license, one dollar ($1.00).

q. For every certified copy of a certificate of registration or a license, fifty cents ($0.50).

r. For the operation of all motor vehicles bearing the neutral zone registration, the operator's or chauffeur's license issued by the state of residence shall be deemed sufficient. The fee for neutral zone registration shall be two dollars ($2.00).

s. For the operation of all motor vehicles registered for the months of July, August, and September, as non-resident motor vehicles, special non-resident certificates shall be issued, good only during the period of three months as above stated. For original special non-resident certificate and examination the fee shall be two dollars ($2.00) and for all subsequent certificates and all certificates issued to drivers who have previously been licensed in the state of their residence, if license is required in such state, one dollar ($1.00); *provided, however,* that said commissioner or his authorized agents may furnish without charge copies of certificates of registration and of licenses to operate, and copies of other documents relating thereto, to officers of the state, or of any court thereof, or of any city or town therein, and said commissioner may issue certificates of registration for motor vehicles and licenses to operate the same to the President of the United States and members of his executive staff, and to any ambassador or member of the foreign diplomatic corps, without payment of the fees therefor. Motor vehicles owned and operated by the state or by any county, city, or town, shall be exempt from registration fees, but shall be registered as any other motor vehicles are registered.

Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent a dealer, as herein defined, using his motor vehicles registered under his dealer's registration for renting or pleasure purposes, *provided, however,* that motor vehicles used for the

transportation of freight or merchandise shall not be used for other than demonstration purposes or for service in connection with said dealer's motor vehicle business.

In the computation of fees based on gross weight, said gross weight shall, in the case of freight or merchandise motor vehicles, be the actual weight of said motor vehicle in pounds plus the manufacturer's rated load capacity, and, in the case of passenger motor vehicles, shall be the actual weight of said motor vehicle plus the sum of the adult seating capacity multiplied by one hundred and fifty (150) pounds. The next larger one hundred pounds shall be used in computing fees.

A vehicle equipped with two or more solid rubber tires shall be considered as equipped with solid rubber tires. A vehicle equipped with two or more iron, steel, or other hard tires shall be considered as equipped with iron, steel, or other hard tires.

The commissioner shall have the authority in disputed cases to determine the classification in which any vehicle belongs and the amount of the fee which shall be paid therefor.

Any person desiring to carry a greater load than that given under the manufacturer's rating shall so declare it at the time of registration and in such case the commissioner shall base his fees upon the weight given by the owner.

Any person who shall operate on the ways of this state a motor vehicle whose weight including load shall exceed by more than twenty per cent the total weight under which it was registered shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25.00) nor more than two hundred dollars ($200.00).

No vehicle of four wheels or less whose gross weight including load is more than twenty thousand (20,000) pounds; no vehicle having a greater weight than fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds on one axle, and no vehicle having a load of over seven hundred and fifty (750) pounds per inch width of tire concentrated on the surface of the highway (said width in the case of rubber tires to be measured

between the flanges of the rim) shall be operated on the highways of this state, *provided, however*, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prohibit the use of road rollers used in the construction or maintenance of highways, and *provided, further*, that the state highway commissioner shall have power from time to time to fix by written order weight limits in excess of the limits herein prescribed, but not exceeding twenty-eight thousand (28,000) pounds, which increased limits shall be applicable either for an indefinite period or for such limited time or specified portion or portions of each year as may be designated in such order, with respect to any highway or section thereof which in his opinion is so constructed as to be suitable for heavier traffic than is herein authorized, and he may from time to time revoke any such order, or change by like order, the limits therein fixed. Every such order shall designate the highway or particular section thereof to which the order is applicable, the weight limits thereafter to be in force thereon and the time or portion of the year (if limited) during which the order is to be operative; the original of such order shall be kept on file in the office of said commissioner and a copy thereof filed by him with the town clerk of each town in which the highway or portion thereof affected is located; and the operation upon such highway or portion thereof during the time such order may be in force of any vehicle whose weight exceeds the limits fixed by said order, shall be deemed a violation of the provisions of this act and punished as hereinafter provided in this section.

No vehicle whose width including load is greater than ninety-six (96) inches; whose length including load is greater than thirty (30) feet and no combination of wheels coupled together whose total length, including load is greater than eighty-five (85) feet shall be operated on the highways of this state.

Any person who shall operate on the highways of this state a vehicle whose size or weight is in excess of that herein prescribed shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars

($25.00) nor more than two hundred dollars ($200.00) for the first offense and not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00) for any subsequent offence.

Every trailer and semi-trailer, except small two-wheeled trailers of one thousand pounds (1,000) capacity or less, towed closely behind a motor vehicle, and semi-trailers when towed alone, whose overall length in both cases, including towing vehicle and load, shall not exceed thirty feet (30), when on the highways of this state at night shall carry at the front of its left side one lamp, capable of throwing a white light visible for a distance of at least two hundred (200) feet in front of the vehicle.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Normandin of Laconia, for a majority of the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Laconia, to whom was referred House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia, reported the same with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by inserting after the word "district" in line 3 the following: "Which shall be called the Laconia school district," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, by inserting after Section 4, the following section to be numbered Section 5:

"SECT. 5. Said city shall constitute one school district, which shall be called the Laconia school district, and the administration of all fiscal and prudential affairs of said school district, not vested in the board of education by this act, shall be exercised by the city council."

Further amend said bill by striking out the whole of Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 20 of said Chapter 241 by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following section:

"SECT. 20. The general management and control of the public schools, and of the buildings and property pertaining thereto, shall be vested in a board of education, consisting of six members, two to be elected at each city election by the qualified voters of the city, to serve each for a term of three years and until their successors are elected and qualified. The members of the present board of education shall continue in office until their respective terms expire, or until their successors are chosen and qualified. They shall have the power, perform all the duties, and be subject to the liabilities pertaining to school boards of towns, except as otherwise provided by this act. All bills, notes and demands made or contracted for school purposes shall be paid from the city treasury. They shall receive such compensation as the city council shall determine."

Further amend said bill by striking out Section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

SECT. 3. Nominations for members of the board of education may be made by political parties entitled to representation on the city election ballot, which nominations shall be made in the same manner as nominations for mayor are made; or nominations may be made by petition of at least twenty-five legal voters of the city addressed to the city clerk and delivered to him not less than seven days preceding the election, all signatures on such petitions first having been certified by the city supervisors as the genuine signatures of qualified voters of the city. The city clerk shall cause the names of all persons nominated to be printed on the city election ballot in alphabetical order in a single column entitled, "For members of the board of education, vote for two," which column shall also provide space for writing in names of persons not nominated as aforesaid. The persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of tie vote, except for the highest number, the board of education as it existed the day pre-

ceding the election shall choose from the candidates involved in the tie by majority vote.

Any vacancies occurring on the board of education shall be filled by the other members of said board.

Further amend said bill by inserting the following new section to be Section 4:

SECT. 4. The provisions of Chapter 43, Section 3, Laws of 1895, and any amendments thereto so far as inconsistent with this act shall not apply to the Laconia school district; Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed; Chapter 129, Section 7 of the Laws of 1917, shall not apply to the city of Laconia, and said city of Laconia and said Laconia school district together shall not incur debt to an amount exceeding five per cent, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the special committee, consisting of the delegation from the city of Laconia, to whom was referred House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district of the city of Laconia, being unable to agree with the majority reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

CHARLES O. HOPKINS,
HARRY E. TRAPP.

Mr. Trapp of Laconia moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion to substitute.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Leavitt of Effingham, for the Committee on Agriculture, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 401, An act relating to the taxation of personal estate, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first time.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 149, An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 116 of the Laws of 1901, relating to the support of town paupers, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 391, An act amending Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, relative to the taking of land for military and other purposes, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 262, An act to amend Section 21 of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 78, Laws of 1907, as amended by Chapter 136, Laws of 1919, relating to pay of jurors, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No.

389, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes, relating to personal property subject to taxation, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the same be referred to the legislature of 1923.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred House Bill No. 188, An act relating to the liability of town officers, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend said bill by renumbering Section 2, Section 3, and inserting a new section to be numbered Section 2, as follows:

SECT. 2. The passage of this act shall not in any manner affect any actions at law now pending in any court of this state, but all such actions may be prosecuted to final judgment as though this act had not been passed.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

BILLS FORWARDED.

House Bill No. 11, An act to amend the primary and election laws.

House Bill No. 275, An act in amendment of Chapters 24 and 282 of the Public Statutes, relating to common jails and prisoners therein.

House Bill No. 385, An act to exempt from taxation property to be used for furnishing electric lights in the town of Andover.

House Bill No. 386, An act to amend Chapter 161, Laws of 1881, relating to the New Hampshire Veterans' Association.

House Bill No. 388, An act relating to lights upon certain vehicles on public highways.

Severally taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord House Bill No. 377, An act to authorize the city of Nashua to issue bonds, was taken from the table.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was ordered to a third reading.

(Mr. Ahern of Concord in the chair.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 360, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, relating to the publication of statutes, journals and reports.

House Bill No. 129 (in new draft), An act in relation to the guaranty fund of the guaranty fund surplus of guaranty savings banks.

House Bill No. 150, An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, relating to the burial of certain soldiers and sailors.

House Bill No. 335 (in new draft), An act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of foreign insurance companies.

House Bill No. 221, An act in relation to the development of water power.

House Bill No. 355, An act to incorporate the Ossipee group of Young Men's Christian Association.

House Bill No. 361, An act in relation to the annual report of the board of bank commissioners.

House Bill No. 378, An act in relation to the payment of salaries of county officers of Hillsborough county.

House Bill No. 381, An act amending Section 13, Chapter 92 of the Public Statutes, relating to the school boards.

House Bill No. 59, An act to regulate and limit the investments of savings banks.

House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school laws of the state.

House Bill No. 383, An act in amendment of Sections 13, 35, 36, 63 and 64, Chapter 123, Laws of 1917, relating to the militia.

House Bill No. 339, An act to amend Section 50, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, providing for a license to take lobsters.

House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell.

House Joint Resolution No. 37, Joint resolution providing for permanent headquarters in the State House for the State of New Hampshire Department of the American Legion.

House Joint Resolution No. 51 (in new draft), Joint resolution providing for the making of improvements, purchase of property and necessary repairs upon the buildings and grounds of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at The Weirs for the year 1921–1922 and 1922–1923.

House Joint Resolution No. 58, Joint resolution in favor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(The Speaker in the chair.)

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 218 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 92, Laws of 1919, relating to business corporations. Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the figure "37" in the fourth line of said section the following: Section 38, and by adding at the end of said Section 1 the following:

SECT. 38. For the privilege of continuing its corporate franchise, every such corporation shall pay annually to the secretary of state, at the time of making its annual return, a fee equal to one-fourth the amount paid upon filing its

original record of organization plus one-fourth of additional payments for increases in its authorized capital stock, if any, *provided, however,* that such annual fee shall not be less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and *provided, further,* that this annual fee shall not be required of any such corporation which on March 1 of any year shall not have been incorporated more than six months. Payment shall be enforced in the same manner provided in Section 36 for the filing fee upon filing annual returns.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Concord the bill, with the accompanying report, was laid upon the table.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school laws of the state.

Amend the bill by striking out after the enacting clause, the words, "In manner following that is to say."

Further amend the bill by striking out all the marginal notes opposite the several sections.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 347, An act to enable the town of Stratford to issue water bonds to the amount of $115,000.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the words, "in completing," in the fifth and sixth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following words, "to be incurred in the construction and completion of."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 115, An act relating to the powers of the board of public works of the city of Portsmouth.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the last sentence of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"The record in the office of said board of public works of the water rates and charges for water furnished as aforesaid shall be sufficient notice to maintain suit upon such lien against subsequent purchasers or attaching creditors of said real estate."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 302, An act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 12 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 12. Chapter 61, Laws of 1909, as amended by Chapter 89, Laws of 1915, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Further amend the bill by adding after the word "required" in the second line of Section 5, the words "to be shown."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 14, entitled, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 144, Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 13, Laws of 1919, relating to the practice of dentistry.

Senate Bill No. 31, An act to amend Chapter 291, of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 341, of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 258 of the Laws of 1919, relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 31, An act to amend Chapter 291 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 341 of the Laws of 1917 and Chapter 258 of the Laws of 1919, relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

Senate Bill No. 14, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 144, Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 13, Laws of 1919, relating to the practice of dentistry.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the same and substituting therefor the following:

SECT. 2. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint two skilled chiropractors who

are not physicians, each of whom shall be a graduate of some resident course school or college of chiropractic, and who shall have resided and practiced in this state for at least one year, and one duly registered physician, who shall constitute a board of chiropractic examiners. One member shall be appointed to serve for a term of three years, one for two years and one for one year, and thereafter each regular appointment shall be for a term of three years. Vacancies in said board shall be filled in like manner for the balance of the unexpired term, and any member of said board may be removed therefrom by the governor and council for cause and after hearing.

Amend Section 3 of the bill by adding at the end thereof a sentence as follows: "They shall keep an accurate record of their proceedings and file a copy thereof with the secretary of the state board of health."

Amend Section 5 of the bill by striking out the same and substituting therefor the following:

SECT. 5. It shall be the duty of said board to examine, register, and license applicants whom they find to be of age, of good character, and qualified as herein provided to practice chiropractic. Such applicant shall pay to the secretary-treasurer a fee of twenty-five dollars for which he shall be entitled to an examination and to a re-examination if necessary, within one year. He shall submit to said board satisfactory evidence of a high school education, or its equivalent, shall be at least twenty-one years of age, of good moral character, and a graduate of a legally chartered or incorporated school or college of chiropractic requiring a course of three years, of six months each, or its equivalent, as a resident student therein, and shall submit to a written examination which shall be given by said board in the following subjects: anatomy, physiology, symtomatology, hygiene, chiropractic orthopedy, histology, pathology, neurology, and the principles of chiropractic adjusting and nerve tracing. Each applicant who qualifies and who attains a minimum grade of seventy per cent upon such examination shall receive a certificate of registration from said board.

Amend Section 9 of the bill by adding at the end thereof the words "as physicians are required to do" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 9. Practitioners of chiropractic shall be subject to the provisions of the law relating to contagious and infectious diseases and to the granting of certificates of deaths, as physicians are required to do.

Amend Section 11 of the bill by striking out the same and substituting therefor the following:

SECT. 11. Whoever, not being registered and licensed as herein provided, shall advertise himself or in any way hold himself out as qualified to practice chiropractic, or whoever does so after receiving notice that his license has been revoked, and whoever, being registered and licensed as herein provided, shall advertise, call, or, in so far as he may be able to prevent it, allow himself to be advertised or called a physician or a doctor, or use any physician's or doctor's ensignia as such, shall be punished for the first offense by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding three months, and for any subsequent offense by a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both, and upon conviction his license shall be revoked.

Mr. Price of Lisbon moved that the House concur in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee called for a division.

On motion of Mr. Ahern the bill with the amendments and call for a division pending was laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, April 5 at 11.02 o'clock.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this afternoon it be to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Philbrook of Laconia at 4.00 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 15, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate of Sullivan county.

House Bill No. 148, An act relating to exemption of certain disabled soldiers and sailors of the World War from paying poll tax.

House Bill No. 193, An act relating to the conservation of New Hampshire water power.

House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relating to diseases of domestic animals.

House Bill No. 236, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Strafford.

House Bill No. 259, An act in amendment of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the state tax commission.

House Bill No. 285, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 159, Laws of 1913, relating to a division of the state into forest fire districts.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 395, An act in relation to jurors and being in amendment of Chapter 209 of the Public Statutes.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On motion of Miss Doe of Rollinsford the bill was laid upon the table.

House Bill No. 396, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Peterborough to exceed its limits of

bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 397, An act to legalize the vote of the town of Kingston at a meeting held on the eighth day of March, 1921, exempting certain property of the Granite Shoe Company and Pentucket Shoe Company from taxation.

House Bill No. 398, An act relating to the consolidation of separate school districts within a town or city.

House Bill No. 343, An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of drugs and medicines.

House Bill No. 344, An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent construction of highway bridges throughout the state.

House Bill No. 11, An act to amend the primary and election laws.

House Bill No. 275, An act in amendment of Chapters 24 and 282 of the Public Statutes, relating to common jails and prisoners therein.

House Bill No. 385, An act to exempt from taxation property to be used for furnishing electric lights in the town of Andover.

House Bill No. 386, An act to amend Chapter 161, Laws of 1881, relating to the New Hampshire Veterans' Association.

House Bill No. 388, An act relating to lights upon certain vehicles on public highways.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 9, An act to amend Chapter 50, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils, by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section.

Senate Bill No. 18, An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 78, of the Laws of 1897, in relation to caucuses and elections.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Senate Bill No. 6, An act to promote the public health by providing protection for maternity and infancy.

Senate Bill No. 27, An act in amendment of Chapter 90 of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts.

Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state.

Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relative to issuing bonds and for other purposes.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 24, An act relating to the laying out of highways in the town of Goffstown.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

House Bill No. 234, An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of beverages, ice cream and candy.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On a *viva voce* vote the bill passed.

Mr. Clarke of Concord called for a division and with the division pending moved that the bill be laid upon the table and made a special order for Tuesday, April 5 at 11.03 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the rules were suspended and the third reading of joint resolutions by their captions made in order.

House Joint Resolution No. 65, Joint resolution providing for the deficit of the State Industrial School.

House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium.

House Joint Resolution No. 45, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Prison.

House Joint Resolution No. 8, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield.

House Joint Resolution No. 12, Joint resolution in favor of repairing Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria.

House Joint Resolution No. 17, Joint resolution for additional improvements at the state hospital.

House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis particularly in the advanced stages.

House Joint Resolution No. 30, Joint resolution for purchase of land at the State Industrial School.

House Joint Resolution No. 43, Joint resolution to provide for co-operation with the United States Geological Survey in the establishment and maintenance of stream flow gauging stations.

House Joint Resolution No. 48, Joint resolution in favor of the School for Feeble Minded.

House Joint Resolution No. 52, Joint resolution appropriating money for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

House Joint Resolution No. 63, Joint resolution to provide for the deficit in the department of the state board of education for the years 1920–1921.

House Bill No. 377, An act authorizing the city of Nashua to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 394, An act relating to compensation of the employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 151, Laws of 1919.

House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia.

House Bill No. 149, An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 84, of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 116 of the Laws of 1901, relating to the support of town paupers.

House Bill No. 188, An act relating to the liability of town officers.

House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 and amendments thereto and enacting a motor vehicle law.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 85, An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes, relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 4.25 o'clock the House adjourned in respect to the memory of Hon. Joe W. Daniels.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., APRIL 1, 1921.

Mr. Adrian B. Preston,
Strafford, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Concord at 9.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., APRIL 4, 1921.

Mr. Henry B. Knox,
Madbury, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Leavitt of Effingham at 7.31 o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Ross of Lebanon was granted leave of absence for the week on account of a death in his family.

Mr. Leavitt of Portsmouth was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness.

Mr. Frazer of Monroe was granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Pierce of Manchester was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

Mr. Carter of Tilton was granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Morse of Littleton, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 402, An act to authorize the North Woodstock village fire precinct to hold a meeting April 13, 1921, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 44, Joint resolution to create a department of university extension within the state board of education reported the same with the following amendments and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out the words "set aside the sum of" in line 2 and inserting in place thereof the words "expend a sum not to exceed"; further amend said joint resolution by striking out the words "to be expended,

in whole or in part," in lines 2 and 3 thereof; further amend said joint resolution by striking out the word "Department" in lines 4 and 5 and inserting in place thereof the word "Division"; further amend said joint resolution by striking out the words "appropriated and so" in line 10, so that said joint resolution as amended shall read as follows:

That the state board of education be, and hereby is, requested to expend a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars for instituting as a part of the work of said board, a division of university extension.

It shall be the duty of such division of university extension to provide courses of instruction through correspondence or school classes (or by combination of both methods) in liberal arts and vocational subjects, upon such terms and under such conditions as they may deem necessary.

And any sum so expended shall be deemed to be a charge against the appropriation for maintenance of said board of education.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 12, An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

Mr. King of Walpole moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. King.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. King of Walpole raised the point of order that the bill had no standing in the House under Article 17 of part second of the constitution that "All money bills shall originate in the House of Representatives."

The speaker ruled the point of order not well taken as the bill made the appropriation a charge upon the highway department appropriation and not a direct demand upon the state treasury.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. King of Walpole asked for a division.

A division being had 160 members voted in the affirmative and 146 members voted in the negative and the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed.

Mr. Barrett of Dover demanded the yeas and nays.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Barrett withdrew his demand.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1921.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the bill was denied a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield called for a division.

(Discussion ensued.)

A division being had 166 members voted in the affirmative and 135 members voted in the negative and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

Senate Bill No. 22, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, relating to liability for neglect to repair.

House Bill No. 129, An act in relation to the guaranty fund and the guaranty fund surplus of guaranty savings banks.

House Bill No. 150, An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, relating to the burial of certain soldiers and sailors.

House Bill No. 221, An act in relation to the development of water power.

House Bill No. 335, An act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of foreign insurance companies.

House Bill No. 355, An act to incorporate the Ossipee group of the Young Men's Christian Association.

House Bill No. 360, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 3, Laws of 1919, relating to the publication of statutes, journals and reports.

House Bill No. 361, An act in relation to the annual report of the board of bank commissioners.

House Bill No. 369, An act in relation to the payment of wages.

House Bill No. 378, An act in relation to the payment of salaries of county officers of Hillsborough county.

House Joint Resolution No. 28, Joint resolution in favor of Aud Russell.

House Joint Resolution No. 37, Joint resolution providing for permanent headquarters in the state house for the state of New Hampshire department of the American Legion.

House Joint Resolution No. 51, Joint resolution providing for the making of improvements, purchase of property and necessary repairs upon the buildings and grounds of the

New Hampshire Veterans' Association at The Weirs for the fiscal years 1921–1922 and 1922–1923.

The report was accepted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 146, An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of 1909, entitled "An act to provide for the recording of sales of real estate for taxes."

House Bill No. 199, An act imposing a tax upon the transfer at death of the personal property of non-residents.

House Bill No. 202, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 190, of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the office of attorney general.

House Bill No. 227, An act in regard to salaries of wardens.

House Bill No. 284, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907, relating to a lien on standing trees covered by mortgage.

House Bill No. 306, An act to authorize the proprietors of the Portsmouth bridge to discontinue the public use of its bridges and to sell its property and franchises to and merge the same with the Boston and Maine Railroad.

House Bill No. 352, An act to incorporate the Etna and Hanover Center Telephone Company.

House Bill No. 353, An act to incorporate as a religious society the First Baptist Society of Farmington.

House Bill No. 370, An act relating to the expenditure of state funds in connection with the construction and maintenance of state highways.

House Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution to assist the town of Richmond in paying a part of the expense for damages incurred by a severe storm in August, 1920.

House Joint Resolution No. 47, Joint resolution providing

for an appropriate celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of New Hampshire.

House Joint Resolution No. 60, Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission in regard to employers' liability and workmen's compensation.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the report of the committee on conference to the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for the naming of highways.

House Bill No. 206, entitled, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, and joint resolution with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 174, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 9, Laws of 1905, relating to the appointment of bail commissioners.

Amend said bill by striking out the words "two dollars" in the eighth line and inserting in place thereof the words "one dollar" so that said section as amended shall read:

"SECT. 5. The bail commissioners in such cases shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar when called between the hours of seven o'clock in morning and ten o'clock at night; and a fee of three dollars when called at any time not included within the above space of time."

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 200, An act in amendment of Chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapters 68, and 138, Laws of 1907, Chapter 104, Laws of 1909, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, Chapters 106 and 116, Laws of 1915 and Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to the taxation of legacies and suc-

cessions, and in amendment of Chapter 116, Laws of 1915, relating to the duties of the assistant attorney general.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 4 of Chapter 40 of the Laws of 1905, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 4. All taxes imposed by the provisions of this chapter, including taxes on intermediate estates and remainders as set forth in Section 2, shall be due and payable to the state treasurer at the expiration of fifteen months after date of the decedent's deaths. If the probate court has ordered the executor or administrator to retain funds to satisfy a claim of a creditor, the payment of the tax may be suspended by the court to await the disposition of such claim. If the taxes are not paid when due, interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum shall be charged and collected from the time the same became payable; and said taxes and interest shall be and remain a lien on the property subject to the taxes until the same are paid. A discount of three per cent shall be allowed on all taxes paid in full within six months after date of the decedent's death.

Further amend the bill by adding at the end of Section 6 the following:

The provisions of this section shall not apply to the transfer or registration of a transfer by a corporation, not organized under the laws of this state, of its own stock or other registered securities, belonging to the estate of a nonresident, or to or upon the order or assignment of a duly appointed executor or administrator.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 371, An act in relation to the commissioners of Carroll county and the clerk hire of the Hillsborough county commissioners.

Amend said bill by striking out in Section 1, line 31, after the word "shall" the word "be," and inserting in place thereof the words "not exceed," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECTION 1. Section 20 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1903, Chapter 22 of the Laws of 1907, Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1909, Chapters 2, 44 and 136 of the Laws of 1913, Chapter 201 of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 45 of the Laws of 1919, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said Section 20 and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 20. Each county commissioner, except the commissioners of Hillsborough, Cheshire, Merrimack, Grafton, Coos and Carroll counties, shall be paid by the county treasurer for his services, when employed in business of the county and in inspecting the taxable property of towns, as provided in the preceding section, three dollars a day, and a reasonable sum for all necessary expenses, upon order of the superior court, his accounts having been first audited by the court. Each commissioner of Hillsborough county shall be so paid the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per year, payable monthly, each commissioner of Cheshire county the sum of five hundred dollars per year, each commissioner of Merrimack county the sum of one thousand dollars per year, each commissioner of Grafton county the sum of five hundred dollars per year, and each commissioner of Coos county, when employed in business of the county and in inspecting the taxable property of towns, as provided in the preceding section, five dollars a day, and each commissioner of Carroll county when so employed, four dollars a day, payable in equal quarterly installments, and a reasonable sum for all necessary expenses, upon order of the superior court, his accounts having first been audited by the court. The commissioners of Hillsborough county shall employ two clerks, one at the office of the commission in Manchester and one at the office of the commission in Nashua. The salary of each of these clerks shall not exceed twenty dollars per week, payable weekly.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Joint Resolution No. 22, Joint resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin.

Amend the joint resolution by striking out "$2,000" in the first line and inserting in place thereof "one thousand dollars, ($1,000)" so that the said joint resolution shall read as follows:

THAT, the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000), be and is hereby appropriated for the repair of the house and improvement of the farm known as the Webster birthplace and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The joint resolution was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bills, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 110, An act amending sub-section (b) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities.

Amend the bill by adding at the end of Section 1, the following:

or, in the case of corporations organized under Chapter 92, Laws of 1919, or amendments thereto, by vote of the holders of a majority of the stock present or represented by proxy and voting at any meeting of the corporation duly called for that purpose, or if two or more kinds or classes

of stock have been issued, by vote of the holders of a majority of each kind or class outstanding and entitled to vote and present or represented by proxy and voting at such meeting.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 328, An act in amendment of Section 29 of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1919, in relation to fees and costs in certain cases.

Amend the bill by adding, after the word "state" in the fifth line of Section 1, the words "for the use of the state."

On motion of Mr. Morse of Littleton, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 219, An act in amendment of Section 13 of Chapter 164 of Laws of 1911, relating to public utilities.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the first line of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Section 13 of Chapter 164, Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 13, Chapter 145, Laws of 1913, Section 1, Chapter 52, Laws of 1915, and Section 1, Chapter 162, Laws of 1919, is

On motion of Mr. Morse of Littleton the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills, in the passage of which is asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 7, An act to provide assistance for the members of the legislature in drafting bills and resolutions.

Senate Bill No. 38, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, relating to fish and game.

SENATE BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 7, An act to provide assistance for the members of the legislature in drafting bills and resolutions.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 38, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, relating to fish and game.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Fish and Game.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House took a recess for 1 hour and 5 minutes.

(After recess.)

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of a report from the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relative to issuing bonds, and for other purposes, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 4 of the bill by adding at the end of said section the words "as amended by Chapter 91, Laws of 1895, and modified by Section 3 (a), Chapter 164, Laws of 1911."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

Mr. Challis of Manchester called for the special order, House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1917, relating to factory inspection.

The question being on the resolution reported by the committee that it is inexpedient to legislate.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was not adopted.

Mr. Ahern of Concord called for a division.

(Discussion ensued.)

A division being had 69 members voted in the affirmative and 193 members voted in the negative and the resolution reported by the committee was not adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Price of Lisbon called for the special order, House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

The question being on the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate, with a division pending.

(Discussion ensued.)

A division being had, 246 members voted in the affirmative and 16 members voted in the negative and the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Mr. Clarke of Concord called for the special order, House Bill No. 234, An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of beverages, ice cream and candy.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass? With a division pending.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Rudd of Franconia moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Rudd.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the affirmative prevailed and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

BILLS FORWARDED.

Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 401, An act relating to the taxation of personal estate.

Taken from the table.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Dudley.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Callahan of Keene rose to a question of personal privilege and stated that he was not a member of the Committee on Agriculture, neither did he present the bill.

Mr. Davis of Derry restated his remarks.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the order whereby Senate Bill No. 31, An act to amend Chapter 291 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 341 of the Laws of 1917 and Chapter 258 of the Laws of 1919, relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester, was referred to a special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester was vacated.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of a report from the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 288 (in Senate

new draft), An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915 and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the figures "1917" in the fifth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the figures "1921."

Further amend the bill by adding after Section 1 a new section to read as follows:

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1921.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendments.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Concord House Bill No. 218, An act in amendment of Chapter 92, of the Laws of 1919, relating to business corporations, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 3.51 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon business.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1917, relating to factory inspection.

House Bill No. 402, An act to authorize the North Woodstock village fire precinct to hold a meeting April 13, 1921.

House Joint Resolution No. 44, Joint resolution to create a department of university extension within the state board of education.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes.

Senate Bill No. 31, An act to amend Chapter 291 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 341 of the Laws of 1917 and Chapter 258 of the Laws of 1919, relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

Mr. Challis of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays and with this motion pending moved that the bill be laid upon the table and made a special order for Wednesday April 6 at 11.01 o'clock.

Mr. Challis subsequently withdrew his motion and his demand for the yeas and nays and asked for a division.

A division being had 119 members voted in the affirmative and 61 members voted in the negative and a quorum of the House not being present at 4.04 o'clock the House was declared adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

Senate Bill No. 25, An act relating to the proprietors of common lands.

Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relative to issuing bonds, and for other purposes.

House Bill No. 115, An act relating to the powers of the board of public works of the city of Portsmouth.

House Bill No. 292, An act in amendment of Section 8, Chapter 174 of Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 56, Laws of 1919, relating to who may solemnize marriage.

House Bill No. 302, An act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds.

House Bill No. 347, An act to enable the town of Stratford to issue water bonds to the amount of $115,000.

Senate Bill No. 6, An act to promote the public health by providing protection for maternity and infancy.

House Bill No. 59, An act to regulate and limit the investments of savings banks.

House Bill No. 146, An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of 1909, entitled, "An act to provide for the recording of sales of real estate for taxes."

House Bill No. 199, An act imposing a tax upon the transfer at death of the personal property of non-residents.

House Bill No. 202, An act in amendment of Section 6 of Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the office of attorney general.

House Bill No. 284, An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Session Laws of 1907, relating to a lien on standing trees covered by mortgage.

House Bill No. 306, An act to authorize the proprietors of Portsmouth bridge to discontinue the public use of its bridges and to sell its property and franchises to and merge the same with the Boston and Maine Railroad.

House Bill No. 352, An act to incorporate the Etna and Hanover Center Telephone Company.

House Bill No. 353, An act to incorporate as a religious society the First Baptist Society of Farmington.

House Bill No. 370, An act relating to the expenditure of

state funds in connection with the construction and maintenance of state highways.

House Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution to assist the town of Richmond in paying a part of the expense for damages incurred by severe storm in August, 1920.

House Joint Resolution No. 47, Joint resolution providing for an appropriate celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of New Hampshire.

House Joint Resolution No. 60, Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission in regard to employers' liability and workmen's compensation.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 66, Joint resolution in favor of Ellon A. Safford, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 67, Joint resolution in favor of Wilbur G. Colcord, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 403, An act regulating the purchase of legislative supplies, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 64, Joint resolution to authorize the appointment of a board of publicity, reported the same with the following amendment and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out all of said resolution after the word "pay" in line 8 and add the following "This resolution shall take effect upon its passage";

That the governor is hereby authorized to appoint, with the advice and consent of the council, a board of three members who shall serve as a board of publicity. Said board shall have authority to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine, Maine Central and Grand Trunk railroads for the purpose of devising means to advertise the attractions and resources of the state, in co-operation with the advertising bureaus of the railroads. Members of the board shall serve without pay. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the joint resolution ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 7, An act to provide assistance for the members of the legislature in drafting bills and resolutions, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Elliot, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 404, An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Salvation Army of Nashua, New Hampshire, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 32, An act to establish a New Hampshire commission on foreign and domestic commerce to co-operate with similar commissions in other states, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 3 and renumbering Section 4 to read Section 3.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 203, An act to transfer the school tax upon certain real estate from the town of Newmarket back to the town of Durham, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 399, An act in amendment of Section 15 of Chapter 286 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 117, Laws of 1919, relating to the salary of the register of probate for Belknap county, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 392, An act providing instruction in keeping, care and management of bees, and for the appointment of an inspector of apiaries and the suppression of diseases, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Meader of Rochester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Strafford, to whom was referred House Bill No. 340, An act to provide for the completing of the indexing of the records of Strafford county, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 363, An act in amendment of Section 7, Chapter 147, Laws of 1913, relating to the construction of dams.

House Bill No. 364, An act to amend Section 19 (d), Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 99, Laws of 1915, relating to the public service commission.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendments to the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 9, An act to amend Chapter 50, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils

by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section.

Senate Bill No. 18, An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 78 of the Laws of 1897, in relation to caucuses and elections.

Senate Bill No. 24, An act relating to highways.

House Bill No. 85 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes, relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It has been suggested by a number of members of this House that many ties might be cemented and many pleasant associations renewed if arrangements were made for reunions under a legislative association, membership in which shall include representatives, senators, House and Senate officials, heads of state departments, the legislative newspaper reporters. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the speaker appoint a committee of seven members of the House, to act with such members of the Senate as may join to consider the plan and take such measures to complete an organization as may be advisable.

The president appointed as members of such committee on the part of the Senate, Senators Orr, Cole, Bean, Conway, and Frisbee.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its adoption of the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following bills:

House Bill No. 223, An act in amendment of the fish and game laws, relating to the taking and possession of brook trout.

House Bill No. 224, An act in regard to hunting licenses.

Senate Bill No. 34, An act to validate the action at the annual town meeting in Lebanon on March 8, 1921, relating to issuing bonds and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred

with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, with amendments, in the passage of which amendments, the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 367, An act for the apportionment of representation in the House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 84, Laws of 1911.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting the word "Greenland" after the word "Epping" in the sixth line of said section, by striking out the word "Newington" in the seventh line of said section, by inserting the word "Rollinsford" before the word "Somersworth" in the tenth line of said section, by striking out the word "Rollinsford" in the twenty-fifth line of said section, and by striking out the word "Greenland" in the ninetieth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "Newington."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury.

Amend Section 2 of said bill by inserting after the word "highways" in the ninth line, the following: "and the fees collected by the public service commission of railroads, public utilities and owners of dams for money paid out by the commission to experts and assistants not in its regular employ and said fees shall be appropriated to reimburse the state for moneys so paid out"; so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 2. Moneys received by the state treasurer, as provided in Section 1, shall be available for general revenue of the state: (with the exception of the moneys received by the fish and game department, which shall be credited to the fish and game fund; and the fees from the motor vehicle department, which, after deducting the amount allowed by the legislature for maintaining said department, shall be credited to the highway department for maintenance of

highways) and the fees collected by the public service commission of railroads, public utilities and owners of dams for money paid out by the commission to experts and assistants not in its regular employ and said fees shall be appropriated to reimburse the state for moneys so paid out; and the full amount allowed for the maintenance of each institution and department shall be appropriated by each legislature for the biennial period next following.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House bills, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 227, An act in regard to salaries of wardens.

Amend the title by striking it out and inserting in place thereof the following title:

An act relating to the salaries of fish and game wardens.

Amend the bill by striking out the words "as amended by the laws of 1917 and 1919" in the second line of Section 1.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 339, An act to amend Sections 50 and 53, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, providing for a license to take lobsters.

Amend the title of the bill by striking out the words "as amended by the laws of 1917 and 1919."

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the words "as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919" in the first and second lines of said section.

Further amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the sentence beginning with the words "said license" in the

eighth, ninth, and tenth lines and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:

"Said license shall be issued by the commission or by agents, under such rules and regulations, and in such form as may be prescribed by the commission, upon the payment of the sum of one dollar.

Further amend the bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 53 of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, by adding at the end of said section the words "Any person who violates the provisions of Section 49 or Section 50 shall also have his license revoked and shall not be granted another license until the expiration of one year therefrom" so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 53. A person who violates a provision of this part is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined as follows: For each violation of Section 47, not exceeding fifty dollars; of Section 48, fifty dollars; of Section 49, five dollars and five dollars additional for each lobster taken or possessed in violation thereof; of Section 50, not exceeding fifty dollars; of Section 51, ten dollars; of Section 52, not exceeding ten dollars. Any person who violates the provisions of Section 49 or Section 50 shall also have his license revoked and shall not be granted another license until the expiration of one year therefrom.

On motion of Mr. McIntire of Milford the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 383, An act in amendment of Sections 13, 35, 36, 63 and 64, Chapter 123, Laws of 1917, relating to the militia.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the words "militia law of 1917" in the last line of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: "of this act."

Amend Section 4 of the bill by striking out the words "Chapter 123, Session Laws of 1917" in the sixth line of said

section and inserting in place thereof the following: "of this act."

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bills and joint resolutions in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 36, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 59 of the Session Laws of 1899, relating to encumbrances and encroachments of highways.

Senate Bill No. 39, An act ratifying and legalizing a school district meeting in the town of Auburn.

House Bill No. 197 (in Senate new draft and new title), An act relating to the salary of certain sheriffs.

House Bill No. 158 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, relating to trade names of individuals, partners and others.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution in favor of the widow of Joe W. Daniels.

SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 39, An act ratifying and legalizing a school district meeting in the town of Auburn.

Read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the reference of the bill to a committee dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

House Bill No. 197 (in Senate new draft and new title), An act relating to the salary of certain sheriffs.

The bill was read a first and second time, laid upon the table to be printed and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

House Bill No. 158 (in Senate new draft), An act in

amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, relating to trade names of individuals, partners and others.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 36, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 59 of the Session Laws of 1899, relating to encumbrances and encroachments of highways.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution in favor of the widow of Joe W. Daniels.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the joint resolution and its reference to a committee dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the joint resolution made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Exeter the rules were suspended to allow the presentation of reports from the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 27 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 90 of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. This act shall be deemed to supersede in its provisions any provisions, inconsistent therewith, of an act

to revise and codify the school laws of the state passed at the present session of the legislature.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by adding after Section 1 a new section as follows:

SECT. 2. This act shall be deemed to supersede in its provisions any provisions, inconsistent therewith, of an act to revise and codify the school laws of the state, passed at the present session of the legislature.

Further amend the bill by renumbering the original Section 2, Section 3.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school laws of the state, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out the words "August thirty-first" in the second line of Section 15, Part IV (a) and inserting in place thereof the word and figures "June 30."

Further amend the bill by striking out the word "September" in the second line of Section 15, Part II (a) and inserting in place thereof the word "July."

Further amend the bill by adding after Part VIII the following:

Part IX.

SECTION 1. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. Meader of Rochester gave notice that on tomorrow or some subsequent day he would move that the House reconsider the vote whereby it voted to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 12, An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield called for the unfinished business, House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass? With a division pending.

Mr. Challis of Manchester demanded the yeas and nays.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Murdock of Hill rose to a question of personal privilege and corrected a statement he had made on Tuesday.

Mr. Lee of Concord moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

Mr. Challis of Manchester withdrew his demand for the yeas and nays and called for a division.

A division being had, 200 members voted in the affirmative and 126 members voted in the negative and the bill passed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield moved that the vote whereby House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts, was passed, be reconsidered.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then sent to the Senate for concurrence.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of Concord, House Bill No. 395, An act in relation to jurors and being in amendment of Chapter 209 of the Public Statutes, was taken from the table.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

(Discussion ensued.)

Miss Doe of Rollinsford moved that the bill be laid upon the table and the speaker be requested to obtain from the supreme court an opinion as to whether or not women can serve on juries.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ahern of Concord called for a division. A division being had, the vote was declared to be manifestly in the negative.

On a *viva voce* vote the bill passed and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover, House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden, incident to the trial of *State* v. *John E. Weeden*, for manslaughter, was taken from the table.

Mr. Barrett of Dover offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 1 by striking out the word "sixteen" in the fourth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve"; so that said section will read as follows:

SECTION 1. That the presiding justice of the superior court of Strafford county be authorized to approve and the county commissioners of said county be authorized to pay, not exceeding twelve hundred dollars, bills for preparation for trial, procuring witnesses, counsel fees and other expenses incurred by John E. Weeden in defending himself against a charge of manslaughter, upon which he was tried and acquitted in said county in October, 1920. Said charge having been preferred against him by reason of his having

shot and killed a man, while he, the said John E. Weeden, was in the performance of his duty as a police officer of the city of Somersworth, in said county and state of New Hampshire.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg at 1.11 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended so as to allow of the introduction of reports from committees.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 391, An act amending Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, relative to the taking of land for military and other purposes, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 3 of said Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, by striking out the words "not otherwise appropriated" in the next to the last line and inserting in place thereof the following: "from any money appropriated for such purposes," so that said section as thus amended shall read as follows: SECT. 3. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon any money in the treasury available for military purposes, or from any money appropriated for such purposes, for such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Quimby of Claremont, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the county of Sullivan, to

whom was referred House Bill No. 281, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Sullivan county, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by striking out the word "six" in line 2 and inserting in place thereof the word "three" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The register of probate for Sullivan county shall be allowed the sum of three hundred dollars annually for clerk hire, the same to be paid in monthly installments from the county treasury.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 403, An act regulating the purchase of legislative supplies.

The third reading being in order, on motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord, the rules were suspended and the bill put back upon its second reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester offered the following amendment:

Amend said bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Purchases of legislative supplies, including printing, shall be made only by the clerk of one of the legislative branches or the secretary of state, or upon their requisition to the purchasing agent. All supplies unused at the end of the session shall be delivered into the custody of the secretary of state for the use of future legislatures.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 281, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Sullivan county.

House Bill No. 391, An act amending Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, relative to the taking of land for military and other purposes.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden incident to the trial of *State* v. *John E. Weeden*, for manslaughter.

Read a third time.

The question being,

Shall the bill pass?

On a *viva voce* vote the bill passed.

Mr. Rainville of Somersworth called for a division but subsequently withdrew his call.

The bill was then sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 404, An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Salvation Army of Nashua, New Hampshire.

House Joint Resolution No. 64, Joint resolution to authorize the appointment of a board of publicity.

House Joint Resolution No. 66, Joint resolution in favor of Ellon A. Safford.

House Joint Resolution No. 67, Joint resolution in favor of Wilbur G. Colcord.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Eliot.

Senate Bill No. 39, An act ratifying and legalizing the school district meeting in the town of Auburn.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 32, An act to establish a New Hampshire commission on foreign and domestic commerce to cooperate with similar commissions in other states.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

INVITATION TO ADDRESS HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester it was voted to invite Captain Herbert H. Rouse, special representative of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, and Mr. W. G. Ennen, of the Federal Board of Vocational Education, to address the House on subjects pertaining to their lines of work on Tuesday, April 12, at 12 o'clock.

BILL RECALLED FROM GOVERNOR.

Mr. Ahern of Concord asked unanimous consent that Senate Bill No. 14, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 144, Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 13, Laws of 1919, relating to the practice of dentistry be recalled from His Excellency, the Governor.

Unanimous consent being given, the bill was recalled and upon being received, all rules were suspended by unanimous consent and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Colebrook at 3.30 o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Pearson of Stratham was granted leave of absence for the day on account of a death in his family.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolution:

Senate Bill No. 39, An act ratifying and legalizing the school district meeting in the town of Auburn.

House Bill No. 66, An act to regulate the practice of chiropractic.

House Bill No. 110, An act amending sub-section (b) of Section 14 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, relating to increasing the authorized capital stock or bonds of railroads and public utilities.

House Bill No. 174, An act in amendment of Chapter 37, Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 9, Laws of 1905, relating to the appointment of bail commissioners.

House Bill No. 219, An act in amendment of Section 13, Chapter 164 of Laws of 1911, relating to public utilities.

House Bill No. 328, An act in amendment of Section 29 of Chapter 287 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 59 of the Laws of 1919, in relation to fees and costs in certain cases.

House Bill No. 371, An act in relation to the commissioners of Carroll county and clerk hire of the commissioners of Hillsborough county.

House Joint Resolution No. 22, Joint resolution for the repair of the Webster birthplace in Franklin.

House Bill No. 200, An act in amendment of Chapter 40, Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapters 68 and 138, Laws of 1907, Chapter 104, Laws of 1909, Chapter 42, Laws of 1911, Chapters 106 and 116, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 37, Laws of 1919, relating to the taxation of legacies and successions, and in amendment of Chapter 116, Laws of 1915, relating to the duties of the assistant attorney general.

House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school laws of the state.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Thayer of Concord, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 158 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, in relation to the trade names of individuals, partners and others, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Knox of Madbury, for the Committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 38, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, relating to fish and game, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 by adding a new sub-section as follows: "(c) Such shad and whitefish may be bought and sold during the open season therefor," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 33, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, by striking out all of said section and inserting a new section to read as follows:

SECT. 33. (a) Shad and whitefish or bluefins may be taken and possessed from January 1st to October 1st.

(b) The taking of more than six shad or whitefish in any one day from the waters of Winnipesaukee lake, Paugus lake or Winnisquam lake, between the fifteenth day of June and the first day of October, is prohibited.

(c) Such shad and whitefish may be bought and sold during the open season therefor.

Further amend said bill by adding a new section as follows:

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Challis of Manchester, for the Committee on Revision of the Statutes, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 36, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 59, of the Session Laws of 1899, relating to encumbrances and encroachments of highways, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by inserting after the word "which" and before the word "is" in the third line of said section, and again in the twelfth line of said section, the words "within six feet of the ground"; so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 1, Chapter 59, of the Session Laws of 1899, by inserting after the word "highway" in the second line the following: "or if any fence, any part of which within six feet of the ground is barbed wire, is erected, maintained or continued adjoining or adjacent to any street or highway within the compact part of any town or within the limits of any village, precinct or city." And further amend said section by adding at the end thereof the following, "or is dangerous to public travel upon said highway," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SECTION 1. If any building, structure, or fence is erected or continued upon or over any highway, or if any fence, any part of which within six feet from the ground is barbed wire, is erected, maintained or continued adjoining or adjacent to any street or highway within the compact part of any town or within the limits of any village, precinct or city, it shall be deemed a public nuisance, *provided, however*, that cornices or other projections upon buildings, extending a reasonable distance into a highway, twelve feet or more above the surface of the highway, shall not be considered obstructions within the meaning of this act; and any person so erecting or continuing any building, structure, or fence, so as to interfere with, hinder, or obstruct the public travel, shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars, and the court may in its discretion, order such building, structure, or fence to be removed, if it be found that the same does so obstruct or lessen the full breadth of any highway, or is dangerous to public travel upon said highway."

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Hodsdon of Ossipee, for the Committee on Public Health, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 405, An act in amendment of an act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea, approved March 29, 1921, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Whitefield the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock, for the Committee on Mileage, made the following report:

Resolved, That each member and officer of the Senate and House of Representatives be allowed the number of miles set opposite his or her name in the accompanying list, and that the clerk be instructed to make the mileage-roll in accordance therewith:

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

Charles Flanders	Brentwood	120
John D. Fiske	Chester	210
Clarence M. Collins	Danville	150
Walter B. Scott	Deerfield	165
Ralph W. Davis	Derry	75
Isaac Randall	Hampstead	75
Ernest G. Cole	Hampton	255
Charles A. Parker	Hampton Falls	270
Ralph B. Fish	Kensington	180
George B. Stevens	Kingston	90
Eddie H. Davenport	Londonderry	60
Elmer S. Pridham	Newcastle	98
Fred E. Sanborn	Newmarket	75
John G. Towle	Northwood	300
Fred Fernald	Nottingham	180
William J. Linchey	Portsmouth	90
W. A. Hodgdon	Portsmouth	60
James J. Heffernan	Portsmouth	90
J. W. Shurman	Portsmouth	60
George E. Cox	Portsmouth	90
Llewellyn J. Gove	Raymond	60
Arthur A. Jenness	Rye	270
J. L. Smith	Seabrook	360
Frank H. Pearson	Stratham	60
Edward A. Haskell	Windham	120

STRAFFORD COUNTY.

Henry W. Locke	Barrington	240
Mark E. Willey	Durham	60
Henry B. Knox	Madbury	150
Lawrence E. Haley	Rochester	90
Adrian B. Preston	Strafford	150

BELKNAP COUNTY.

Fred E. Berry	Barnstead	120
Frank P. Grant	Belmont	98
Louis L. Sanborn	Center Harbor	180
Charles F. Page	Gilmanton	300
Ralph N. Piper	Meredith	60
Adelbert M. Gordon	New Hampton	240
Walter L. Wilson	Sanbornton	120

CARROLL COUNTY.

Edward B. Cobb	Bartlett	75
Clarence Ela	Conway	360
Winfield S. Head	Eaton	210
Frank L. Leavitt	Effingham	330
John E. Perkins	Freedom	240
Arthur C. Grey	Jackson	240
George A. Blanchard	Moultonborough	300
Alonzo McCrillis	Sandwich	450
Martin L. Schenck	Tamworth	180
Daniel B. Palmer	Tuftonborough	225

MERRIMACK COUNTY.

W. W. Kenison	Allenstown	120
Edward A. Colby	Bow	150
Lowell T. Mason	Canterbury	135
Bryant P. Call	Chichester	75
Arthur E. Clarke	Concord	60
Frederick E. Jordan	Concord	60
Philander M. Lord	Dunbarton	150
Joseph Lawrence	Epsom	90

James O. Straw	Hopkinton	60
Frank M. Ladd	Loudon	450
Allen M. Emerson	Newbury	180
A. O. Crane	New London	270
Leander M. Sawyer	Salisbury	180
Fred A. Sawyer	Sutton	75
Leon E. Sawyer	Wilmot	150

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY.

Charles P. Dodge	Amherst	90
C. S. Abbott	Antrim	60
Orra G. Kilton	Bedford	90
James W. Ellsworth	Deering	150
Fred A. Pettee	Francestown	135
Wilbert P. Farley	Hollis	120
Henry C. Brown	Hudson	120
Harry B. Cilley	Manchester	60
Cyrus A. Kimball	Manchester	75
L. M. Streeter	Manchester	60
John A. Spaulding	Lyndeborough	90
Charles F. Young	Merrimack	90
George D. Kittredge	Mont Vernon	150
Robert D. Walker	New Ipswich	180
Harold S. Frost	Pelham	300
Stanley H. Abbot	Wilton	120

CHESHIRE COUNTY.

George F. Lewis	Alstead	180
Willard H. Pierce	Dublin	120
Wilder F. Gates	Keene	90
Charles A. Bemis	Marlboro	75
Calvin S. Anderson	Richmond	285
Raymond L. Lane	Swanzey	105
Arthur E. Wells	Walpole	60

SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Myrle E. Reed	Acworth	390
James W. Davidson	Charlestown	360
Robert A. Austin	Cornish	120

Edgar W. Davis	Croydon	240
Arthur W. Nelson	Goshen	240
George L. Porter	Langdon	240
Erastus L. Lovejoy	Lempster	360
Harold W. Chellis	Plainfield	270
George D. Philbrick	Springfield	390
Leo L. Osborne	Sunapee	90
Sumner N. Ball	Washington	360

GRAFTON COUNTY.

George E. Watson	Alexandria	210
Fred C. Abbe	Bethlehem	135
Hiram T. Heath	Bristol	105
Lester M. Avery	Campton	90
Paul M. Kelley	Canaan	60
Allen H. Jackman	Enfield	270
William D. Rudd	Franconia	300
Lewis C. Dane	Groton	450
Ranson S. Cross	Hanover	60
Daniel Carr	Haverhill	60
Charles A. Haskell	Holderness	300
Harry E. Poor	Landaff	105
Oscar E. Batchelder	Lisbon	40
Harry M. Morse	Littleton	60
Carl E. Mason	Lyman	150
George A. Pushee	Lyme	135
Willard R. Harris	Orford	105
William B. Deal	Piermont	75
Walter S. Libbey	Wentworth	60

COOS COUNTY.

Maurice M. Cass	Columbia	300
Charles G. Hamlin	Gorham	60
B. F. McHugh	Gorham	60
Austin J. Bedell	Jefferson	90
Frank H. Forbes	Lancaster	90
Osmar T. Cole	Milan	180
James R. Blodgett	Pittsburg	540

Mark S. Rix	Shelburne	165
Harry W. Stone	Stark	120
B. C. Banfill	Stewartstown	180
W. H. Kimball	Stratford	150

SENATE.

John H. Garland	Conway	120
Fred O. Smalley	Walpole	90

HOUSE EMPLOYEES.

Guy S. Neal	Acworth	240
Alice V. Flanders	Merrimack	120

SENATE EMPLOYEES.

William H. Knox	Madbury	150
Bessie A. Callaghan	Manchester	120

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 285, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 166, Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 159, Laws of 1913, relating to a division of the state into forest fire districts.

House Bill No. 157, An act to amend Chapter 51, Section 2 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 47, Section 1 of Session Laws of 1903, and by Chapter 105, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to cemeteries.

House Bill No. 398, An act relating to the consolidation of separate school districts within a town or city.

House Bill No. 396, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Peterborough to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 385, An act to exempt from taxation property to be used for furnishing electric lights in the town of Andover.

House Bill No. 11, An act to amend the primary and election laws.

House Bill No. 170, An act to amend Chapter 30 of the Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 60 of the Laws of 1915, and as further amended by Chapter 105 of the Laws of 1919, entitled, An act establishing municipal courts and abolishing existing police courts.

House Bill No. 193, An act relating to the conservation of New Hampshire water power.

House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 105, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools.

House Bill No. 376, An act in relation to parole officer.

House Bill No. 377, An act to authorize the city of Nashua to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 402, An act to authorize the North Woodstock village fire precinct to hold a meeting April 13, 1921.

House Bill No. 149, An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 116 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the support of town paupers.

House Bill No. 342, An act in amendment of Chapter 120 of the Session Laws of 1909, providing for a board of parole.

House Bill No. 290, An act in amendment of Chapter 76, of the Public Statutes, relating to the law of the road.

House Bill No. 393, An act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 241 of the Laws of 1893, as amended by Chapter 316 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the city of Laconia.

House Bill No. 397, An act to legalize the vote of the town of Kingston at a meeting held on the eighth day of March, 1921, exempting certain property of the Granite Shoe Company and Pentucket Shoe Company from taxation.

House Bill No. 236, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Strafford.

House Bill No. 394, An act relating to the compensation

of the employees of the Senate and House of Representatives and repealing Chapter 151, Laws of 1919.

House Bill No. 15, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate of Sullivan county.

House Bill No. 386, An act to amend Chapter 161, Laws of 1881, relating to the New Hampshire Veterans' Association.

House Bill No. 384, An act to enable the city of Nashua to erect a statue to the memory of General John G. Foster.

House Joint Resolution No. 63, Joint resolution to provide for a deficit in the department of state board of education for the years 1920–1921.

House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its adoption of the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following bills:

House Bill No. 288 (Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions.

House Bill No. 380, An act to revise and codify the school law of the state.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendment offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 381, An act amending Section 13, Chapter 92, of the Public Statutes, relating to school boards.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the words "the school year shall begin with the fall term," in the twelfth and thirteenth lines of said section.

On motion of Mr. Otis of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following concurrent resolution with amendment:

Concurrent Resolution, entitled, Resolution relating to a Lincoln memorial.

Amend the concurrent resolution by striking out the whole of it and substituting in the place thereof the following:

WHEREAS, an oil portrait of Washington, "the Father of His Country," occupies a conspicuous place in the capitol building of New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, there is no official portrait of Abraham Lincoln, the great emancipator and preserver of his country, placed in the capitol building of this state; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this state should recognize the services of Abraham Lincoln by having placed beside the portrait of Washington, our first president, an oil painting of Abraham Lincoln, our sixteenth president; and

WHEREAS, an appropriation compelling assessment on the property of the state to provide for such portrait does not seem as fitting as voluntary contributions for this purpose:

Therefore be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring, That the public schools and other societies of this state and other persons interested giving through them shall be permitted to show their gratitude to this great American by making donations which shall be sufficient to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

And be it further Resolved, That a committee of two on the part of the House and one on the part of the Senate be appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate respectively to direct the efforts and receive subscriptions for the aforesaid purpose, such contributions to be placed by them in the hands of the state treasurer and expended under the direction of the governor and council who shall approve all work incident thereto.

The President has appointed as member of such committee on the part of the Senate, Senator Winant.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock moved that the House concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The question being on the motion to concur.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis particularly in the advanced stages.

Amend said joint resolution by striking out in line 21 the figures "$40,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures "$35,000," so that said joint resolution shall read as follows:

That for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, and who are unable to pay the cost of such treatment; and for the encouragement of the establishment and maintenance of sanātoria for the treatment of such persons, the State Board of Charities and Correction be and hereby are authorized to engage free beds in such sanatoria or other places as have been approved by the State Board of Health for the treatment of such persons as the State Board of Charities and Correction may specify. Indigent consumptives, citizens of the state, who are uable to pay any part of the cost of said treatment, may be admitted to said free beds by the authority of the secretary of the State Board of Charities and Correction in accordance with the ordinary regulations of said sanatoria. Persons in needy circumstances, who, by themselves, relatives or friends, are unable to pay part of the cost of said treatment when the State Board of Charities and Correction so certify and stipulate the proportion the state shall assume to pay. This act shall not be construed so as to deprive any person to whom aid is rendered of any right that he may have

at the time of his admission to said sanatorium. To pay the expenses of engaging said free beds and assisting persons in needy circumstances to treatment in said sanatoria, a sum not exceeding $35,000 for each of the years 1921 and 1922 is hereby appropriated, and the governor is authorized to draw his warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. This joint resolution shall take effect July 1, 1921.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The joint resolution was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 140, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

Amend Section 3 of said bill by striking out at the end thereof the words, "provided, that in no case shall the minimum fee be less than five dollars," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 3. Amend Section 5 of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919 by striking out said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 5. The treasurer of each city, or such other person as the city government may designate, and the town clerk of each town shall collect fees for such permits as follows: On each motor vehicle offered for registration a sum equal to twenty-four mills on each one dollar of the maker's list price for the current year of manufacture, seventeen mills for the first succeeding year, thirteen mills for the second succeeding year, seven mills for the third succeeding year, five mills for the fourth and succeeding years.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers.

Amend Section 1 of said bill as heretofore amended by

striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may, at the request of the superintendent of schools and the school board, retire from active service any teacher of the public schools who has performed faithful service as a teacher in the said Manchester for a period of at least 30 consecutive years, and may grant a pension to such retired teacher for a period not exceeding one year at a time.

Further amend said bill by striking out all of Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. No pension granted in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing section shall exceed in amount one half the annual salary or compensation received by the pensioner during the year immediately preceding retirement.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester the House refused to concur in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate and asked for a Committee of Conference.

The speaker appointed as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of the House, Messrs. Kenney, Putnam and Merrill of Manchester.

House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos.

Amend Section 2, House Bill No. 225, as amended, by striking out in said section all after the word "from" in line 3 and inserting in the place thereof the following, "June first to October first of each year," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 2. That all fishing is hereby prohibited in Little Diamond pond in the county of Coos, except that fish of lawful size may be taken from June first to October first of each year.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session

Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highways of the city of Manchester.

Amend Section 1 of said bill as heretofore amended, by striking out in line 10 the word "fifteen" and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty" so that said section shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The department of highways of the city of Manchester by the affirmative vote of all the members may, at his own request or at the request of the mayor of said city, retire from service for one year any employee of the department of highways, who in the judgment of said board has become disabled for useful service while in the actual performance of duty; or any employee who has reached the age of sixty years and has had thirty consecutive years' service; and may grant a pension to such retired employee for a period not exceeding one year at a time. No such employee shall be granted a pension unless it shall be certified to the department of highways in writing by the city physician, that such employee is permanently incapacitated physically from performing his duty as an employee of the department. Consecutive years under the terms of this section shall not be interpreted to disqualify those candidates for pensions who may have been laid off temporarily from work by the department of highways from time to time.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester the House refused to concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate and asked for a Committee of Conference.

The speaker appointed as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of the House, Messrs. Kenney, Putnam and Merrill of Manchester.

House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen.

Amend said bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and substitute in place thereof the following:

Section 1 of Chapter 346 of the Session Laws of 1913 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "member" in the eighth line of said section the following: "or the widow

of a member dying from injuries received while engaged in the actual performance of his duties at a fire."

Further amend said section by inserting after the word "granted" in the ninth line of said section the words "to a retired member," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may, at the request of the chief engineer or of the board of engineers, retire from active service any member of the fire department who has performed faithful service in the department for a period of twenty consecutive years, exclusive of any service as call man; or any member of the department who has been disabled while in the actual performance of duty; and may grant a pension to such retired member or the widow of a member dying from injuries received while engaged in the actual performance of his duties at a fire, for a period not exceeding one year at a time. Before a pension is granted to a retired member the city physician shall certify to the board of mayor and aldermen that such retired member is incapacitated either mentally or physically from performing his duty as a member of the department.

Further amend by adding a new section as follows:

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Kenney of Manchester the House refused to concur in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate and asked for a Committee of Conference.

The speaker appointed as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of the House, Messrs. Kenney, Putnam and Merrill of Manchester.

House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to an open season on deer.

Amend House Bill No. 346 by striking out the second paragraph of the bill, as amended by the House, and inserting in the place thereof the following:

SECT. 14 (a). Wild deer may be captured or taken after 5 a. m. and before 6 p. m. as follows: in the county of Coos

from the fifteenth day of October to the first day of December; in the county of Grafton from the first day of November to the sixteenth day of December; in the county of Carroll from the fifteenth day of November to the sixteenth day of December, and from all the other counties in the state from the first day of December to the first day of January.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 356, An act in amendment of Section 13, Chapter 27 of the Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1909, relating to street railway companies.

Amend Section 1 of said act by striking out the same and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. Section 13 of Chapter 27 of the Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 88 of the Laws of 1903 and Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1909, is hereby amended by striking out the same and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECT. 13. No street railway company shall lay its tracks across the track of a steam railroad, and no steam railroad shall lay its tracks across the tracks of a street railway, without the consent in writing of the public service commission; and when the crossing is made at grade, said commission shall make such orders, rules, and regulations for the protection of all persons from injury at such crossings as they may deem sufficient and necessary. All expense incurred in providing and maintaining such suitable protection of all persons at said crossings shall be apportioned by the public service commission between the two roads as they may deem just; and in all cases, unless otherwise ordered by the commission, when a street railway crosses a steam railroad at grade, every driver of a car upon the street railway shall, when approaching the point of intersection, stop his car not more than seventy-five feet and not less than twenty feet from the crossing, and before attempting to cross carefully

examine for approaching trains on the steam railroad, and shall not proceed to cross until it is ascertained that no trains are approaching, and that the street railway car may cross with safety. The commission may from time to time change and modify such orders, rules, and regulations as the public safety and convenience may require. Whenever a crossing of the tracks of a steam railroad is to be made by a street railway otherwise than at grade, and the means existing therefor, by bridge or otherwise, at the time said crossing is authorized by said commission, are not sufficient for the safe and proper operation of said street railway, and any alterations therein are made necessary thereby, the expense of making such alterations shall be borne by the railroad or railway at whose request and for whose benefit they are made; and whenever such street railway shall pass over any bridge upon its route, and alterations are thereby made necessary for the safety and convenience of travelers, the expense of such alterations thereon shall be borne by the railway. In case of any disagreement as to the necessity and extent of such alterations, the same shall be determined by the public service commission, whose decision shall be final. Whenever it shall be necessary to repair, alter or rebuild a bridge or construct a new bridge, upon a public highway, and said bridge is, or shall be used by a street railway, at the expense of such repairs, alterations, rebuilding or construction may be apportioned equitably, as the public good may require, between the town incurring such expense and such street railway, by the superior court upon petition brought therefor by the town, unless the said town and the said street railway shall agree upon such apportionment. Upon petition of a street railway company whose tracks cross the track of a steam railroad at grade, or upon petition of a steam railroad company whose tracks have been crossed at grade by a street railway, the public service commission may review the apportionment of the expense incurred in providing and maintaining suitable protection of all persons at any such crossing as provided in this section and may make such new order of apportionment or such order requiring either

company to defray the entire expense of providing and maintaining such protection as said commission may consider just and reasonable, having due regard to the nature and extent of the hazard caused by each company against which such protection is needed and the nature and extent of the benefit, if any, which each company derives from such protection."

Mr. Flint of Plymouth moved that the House concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The question being on the motion to concur.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

Amend Section 1 by striking out the words "Deputy Highway Commissioner 3000."

Amend Section 1 by striking out after "Deputy Secretary" the figures "2100" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2300," also in line 21 after the words "Commissioner of Law Enforcement" the figures "2500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2750," also in line 22 after the words "Commissioner of Education" the figures "4000" and inserting in place thereof the figures "4500," also in line 29 after the words "Commissioner of Labor" the figures "2500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2750," also in line 30 after the words "Commissioner of Weights and Measures" the figures "2500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2750," in line 31 after the words "Commissioner of Agriculture" the figures "2500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2750," in line 35 after the words "Motor Vehicle Commissioner" the figures "2500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2750," in line 38 after the words "Fish and Game Commissioner" the figures "2500" and inserting in place thereof the figures "2750," in line 41 insert after the words "State Indexer 1200" the

words "State Chemist $2850
State Pathologist 2000
Sec. Public Library Commission 1400"

Amend Section 1 of said bill by adding after line 32 the following words: "At such time as that part of the salary of the deputy commissioner of agriculture now being paid from federal funds is withdrawn, the salary of the above stated commissioner of agriculture shall be $2400."

Amend Section 2 by inserting after line 12 of the said section the following:

"Chief Clerk Dept. Public Health $1400
Chief Clerk Dept. Vital Statistics 1400
Asst. Clerk Public Service Commission 1400
Reporter Public Service Commission 1300"

Amend Section 2 by striking out the words "Inspectors Department Public Service, two at $1500, one at $1700" in line 26 of the said section and inserting in place thereof "The Public Service Commission may employ inspectors at an expense not to exceed $5500."

Amend Section 2 by striking out the words and figures in line 19, "Pathologist in Department of Hygiene $2000, in line 29, "Secretary Public Library Commission $1400, in line 30, "Chemist Laboratory of Hygiene $2850.

Amend Section 2 by striking out the figures "2800" in line 9 of the said section and inserting in place thereof the figures "3000"; also by striking out the figures "1300" in line 10 of the said section and inserting in place thereof the figures "1400."

Amend Section 2 by striking out after the words "Inspectors Department of Weights and Measures" in line 23 the figures "1500" and inserting in place thereof "1700."

Amend Section 2 by inserting after line 15 of said section "Chief Clerk Motor Vehicle Department $1400."

Amend Section 2 by striking out after the words "Chief Clerk Department of Fish and Game" the figures "1500" and inserting in place thereof "1600."

Amend Section 2 by striking out after the words "Clerk

on Municipal Accounting" in line 17 the figures "1600" and inserting in place thereof "1700."

Mr. Lord of Manchester moved that the House concur in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The question being on the motion to concur.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Wilson of Sanbornton moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being on the motion to concur.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 368, An act for the protection of deer.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. No owner or keeper of any camp used principally in lumbering operations in or about which five or more persons are employed, and no persons connected with or employed in or about such camp, shall use, consume, permit to be served or used as food, store or have in possession at any time in, at or about such camp, any deer or part thereof; but this act shall not apply to any hotel, boarding house or camp principally devoted to the public entertainment of guests.

On motion of Mr. McHugh of Gorham the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bill, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 30, An act to amend an act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester, approved January 27, 1921.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 30, An act to amend an act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester, approved January 27, 1921.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this morning it be to meet on Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock and that when it then adjourns it adjourn to meet on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord business in order at 3 o'clock was made in order at the present time.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 405, An act in amendment of an act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea, approved March 29, 1921.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 36, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 59 of the Session Laws of 1899, relating to encumbrances and encroachments of highways.

Senate Bill No. 38, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, relating to fish and game.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments.

House Bill No. 158 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, in relation to the trade names of individuals, partners and others.

Read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Mr. Etsler of Claremont moved that House Bill No. 362, An act in amendment of Section 3, Chapter 193 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the appointment of banks and trust companies as trustees, be taken from the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ahern moved that the resolution regarding a minimum wage commission be taken from the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester at 1 o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 1921.

The House met at 9.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., APRIL 8, 1921.

Mr. Willard R. Harris,
Orford, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Friday morning. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Cass of Columbia at 9.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 1921.

The House met at 7.30 o'clock according to adjournment.

The following letter was read by the clerk:

LEBANON, N. H., APRIL 11, 1921.

Mr. Joseph W. C. Ibbottson,
Plaistow, N. H.

DEAR SIR: I shall be unable to attend the session on Monday evening. Will you kindly preside for me and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. JONES,
Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Beaudoin of Berlin at 7.31 o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Kelly of Concord and Quimby of Claremont were granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Messrs. Jackman of Nashua and Leavitt of Portsmouth were granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Wilson of Sanbornton was granted leave of absence for Wednesday on account of important business.

Mr. Harris of Orford was granted leave of absence for the week on account of important business.

LETTER EXPRESSING THANKS.

The following letter was read by the Speaker:

To the members of the New Hampshire House of Representatives:

Your beautiful floral tribute to my dear husband, ex-

pressed your deep regard for him—as well as your sympathy for me, and for both, I truly thank you.

Sincerely,

EMMA F. DANIELS.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 281, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Sullivan county.

House Bill No. 288, An act in amendment of Section 6, Chapter 155, Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 100, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 161, Laws of 1917, relating to the disposal of lumber slash under certain conditions.

House Bill No. 290, An act in amendment of Chapter 76 of the Public Statutes, relating to the law of the road.

House Bill No. 339, An act to amend Sections 50 and 53, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, providing for a license to take lobsters.

House Bill No. 356, An act in amendment of Section 13, Chapter 27 of the Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1909, relating to street railway companies.

House Bill No. 357, An act to equalize the salaries of certain state officials and establish maximum salary limits.

House Bill No. 367, An act for the apportionment of representation in the House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 84, Laws of 1911.

House Bill No. 368, An act for the protection of deer.

House Bill No. 377, An act to authorize the city of Nashua to issue bonds.

House Bill No. 381, An act amending Section 13, Chapter 92, of the Public Statutes, relating to school boards.

House Bill No. 383, An act in amendment of Sections 13, 35, 36, 63 and 64, Chapter 123, Laws of 1917, relating to the militia.

House Bill No. 384, An act to enable the city of Nashua to erect a statue to the memory of General John G. Foster.

House Bill No. 385, An act to exempt from taxation property to be used for furnishing electric lights in the town of Andover.

House Bill No. 386, An act to amend Chapter 161, Laws of 1881, relating to the New Hampshire Veterans' Association.

House Bill No. 393, An act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, as amended by Chapter 316 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the city of Laconia.

House Bill No. 394, An act relating to compensation of the employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, and repealing Chapter 151, Laws of 1919.

House Bill No. 396, An act to authorize the school district of the town of Peterborough to exceed its limits of bonded indebtedness as fixed by Chapter 129 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 397, An act to legalize the vote of the town of Kingston at a meeting held on the eighth day of March, 1921, exempting certain property of the Granite Shoe Company and Pentucket Shoe Company from taxation.

House Bill No. 402, An act to authorize the North Woodstock village fire precinct to hold a meeting April 13, 1921.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills:

Senate Bill No. 18, An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 78 of the Laws of 1897, in relation to caucuses and elections.

Senate Bill No. 24, An act relating to the laying out of highways in the town of Goffstown.

House Bill No. 223, An act in amendment of the fish and game laws, relative to the taking and possession of brook trout.

House Bill No. 224, An act to regulate the issuing of hunting licenses.

House Bill No. 363, An act to amend Section 7, Chapter 47, Laws of 1913, relating to the construction of dams.

Senate Bill No. 9, An act to amend Chapter 50, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, relating to powers of city councils,

by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof a new section.

Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses.

Senate Bill No. 23, An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes.

Senate Bill No. 27, An act in amendment of Chapter 90, of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts.

Senate Bill No. 32, An act to establish a New Hampshire commission on foreign and domestic commerce to co-operate with similar commissions in other states.

House Bill No. 11, An act to amend the primary and election laws.

House Bill No. 148, An act relating to the exemption of certain disabled soldiers and sailors of the World War from paying a poll tax.

House Bill No. 149, An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 116 of the Laws of 1901, relating to the support of town paupers.

House Bill No. 157, An act to amend Chapter 51, Section 2 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 47, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1903, and by Chapter 105, Section 1 of the Session Laws of 1915, relating to cemeteries.

House Bill No. 158, An act in amendment of Chapter 57, Laws of 1919, in relation to the trade names of individuals, partners and others.

House Bill No. 170, An act to amend Chapter 30 of the Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 60 of the Laws of 1915, and as further amended by Chapter 105 of the Laws of 1919, entitled, "An act establishing municipal courts and abolishing existing police courts."

House Bill No. 188, An act relating to the liability of town officers.

House Bill No. 193, An act relating to the conservation of New Hampshire water power.

House Bill No. 218, An act in amendment of Chapter 92 of the Laws of 1919, relating to business corporations.

House Bill No. 225, An act to determine the closed season in Big Diamond, Little Diamond, and Nathan ponds in the county of Coos.

House Bill No. 227, An act relating to the salaries of fish and game wardens.

House Bill No. 236, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Strafford.

House Bill No. 259, An act in amendment of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the state tax commission.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 197 (in Senate new draft), An act relating to the salaries of certain sheriffs, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill be referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

The report was accepted and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 406, An act in amendment of Section 13 (e) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 13 (e) of Chapter 145 of the Laws of 1913, and Chapter 162 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the powers of the Public Service Commission, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 407, An act to legalize certain town meetings, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 323, An act legalizing the biennial elections held in certain towns on November 2, 1920, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. That the votes and proceedings of the biennial elections held on the second day of November, 1920, in the towns of Antrim, Bridgewater, Ashland, Atkinson, Bedford, Dunbarton, Epsom, Groton, Newcastle, Newport, Plaistow, Plymouth, Troy and Warner be and hereby are legalized, ratified and confirmed.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Morse of Littleton, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 408, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 181, Laws of 1917, entitled, "An act permitting sterilizing operations in certain cases of mental disease and feeble mindedness," with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Ahern of Concord moved that the rules be suspended and the bill be read a first time by its title.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Ahern.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed and the bill was read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and laid upon the table to be printed.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Rules, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 409, An act relating to foreign insurance companies and their agents, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the rules were further suspended and the printing of the bill and its reference to a committee dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 7 (in new draft), An act to provide assistance for the members of the legislature in drafting bills and resolutions, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Collins of Danville, for the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred House Bill No. 400, An act to increase tax revenues and reduce tax rates, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Collins of Danville, for the Committee on Ways and Means, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 410, An act directing the revaluation of the property of the state by the tax commission, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amend-

ment and the recommendation that the joint resolution as amended ought to pass.

Amend the joint resolution by inserting after the word "treatment" in the fifteenth line of said resolution the following words, "may be so admitted."

Further amend the joint resolution by striking out the words and figures "years 1921 and 1922" in the twenty-first and twenty-second lines and inserting in place thereof the following: fiscal years ending June 30, 1922, and June 30, 1923.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to open season on deer, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out the first four lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend sub-divisions (a) and (b), Section 14, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Sections 3 and 4, Chapter 152, Laws of 1919, by striking out said sub-divisions and inserting in place thereof the following:

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Elliot, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 3. That the provisions of Chapter 162, Laws of

1915, as amended by Chapters 75 and 171, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 96, Laws of 1919, entitled, "An act relating to trust funds held by towns and cities," shall not apply to said fund or its accumulations.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out the words "superintendent of public instruction" in the eleventh and twentieth lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: "board of education."

Further amend the bill by adding after Section 1 a new section as follows:

SECT. 2. This act shall be deemed to supersede in its provisions, any provisions inconsistent therewith, of an act to revise and codify the school laws of the state, passed at the present session of the legislature.

Further amend the bill by renumbering the original Section 2, Section 3.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 30, An act to amend an act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester approved January 27, 1921, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Putnam of Manchester, for the special committee consisting of the delegation from the city of Manchester, to

whom was referred Senate Bill No. 16, An act in amendment of Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, providing for rest for municipal employees of the city of Manchester, reported the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 1 of said bill by inserting after the word "works" in line 4 the word "health," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1, Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and substituting therefor the following:

SECTION 1. All regular employees of the water works, public works, health, buildings and parks, commons, and playgrounds departments of the city of Manchester shall, during June, July, August or September, be allowed six days' rest in each year's employment without loss of pay.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 148 (in new draft and new title), An act relating to the exemption of certain disabled soldiers and sailors of the World War from paying a poll tax.

House Bill No. 188 (in new draft and new title), An act relating to the liability of town officers.

House Bill No. 259, An act in amendment of Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1911, relating to the state tax commission.

House Bill No. 403, An act regulating the purchase of legislative supplies.

House Joint Resolution No. 8, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield.

House Joint Resolution No. 12, Joint resolution in favor of repairing Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria.

House Joint Resolution No. 17, Joint resolution for additional improvements at the State Hospital.

House Joint Resolution No. 30, Joint resolution for the purchase of land at the State Industrial School.

House Joint Resolution No. 43, Joint resolution to provide for co-operation with the United States Geological Survey and the establishment and maintenance of stream flow gauging stations.

House Joint Resolution No. 44, Joint resolution to create a department of university extension within the state board of education.

House Joint Resolution No. 45, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Prison.

House Joint Resolution No. 48, Joint resolution in favor of the School for Feeble Minded.

House Joint Resolution No. 65, Joint resolution providing for the deficit at the State Industrial School.

House Bill No. 281, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate in Sullivan county.

House Bill No. 404, An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Salvation Army of Nashua, New Hampshire.

House Joint Resolution No. 52, Joint resolution appropriating money to the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

Senate Bill No. 23 (House new draft), An act to regulate the manufacture, storage and sale of inflammable polishes.

House Bill No. 343, An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of drugs and medicines.

House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911 and amendments thereto, and enacting a motor vehicle law.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendments to the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 32, An act to establish a New Hampshire

commission on foreign and domestic commerce to co-operate with similar commissions in other states.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its adoption of the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 21, An act in amendment of Chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses.

Senate Bill No. 27 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 90 of the Public Statutes, relating to the term of office of officers of school districts.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 257, An act in amendment of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, entitled, "An act to establish a public service commission," as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1917.

Amend Section 1 by striking out all after the words "instead thereof" in line 4 and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 26. The commission may authorize any company operating a street railway or any public utility to discontinue, temporarily or during such portion of each year as the commission may deem expedient, the operation of any part of its road in the case of a street railway or any part of its service in the case of a public utility, whenever it shall appear that such temporary or seasonal discontinuance will not unreasonably inconvenience the public, or to discontinue the same permanently and remove the tracks, poles or other equipment essential to the same whenever it shall appear that the public good does not require the further continuance of such operation or service. The commission may authorize the proprietors to either temporarily or permanently discontinue the operation of the steam railroads known as the Profile Branch, from its

junction with the Bethlehem Branch, and the Waumbek Branch, between Cherry Mountain and Jefferson stations, or either of them, if it shall appear that such discontinuance is not inconsistent with the public good, or that the expense of such continued operation will be confiscatory or so disproportionate to the resulting public benefit as to be unreasonable; but no order authorizing such temporary or permanent discontinuance of operation shall be made until after notice to the attorney general and such public notice as the commission may deem reasonable, and a hearing; and any parties who appear and are heard may appeal in accordance with the provisions of Section 22 of this act with respect to any such order, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The present Section 26 of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, being the new Section 26 introduced therein by amendment by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1917, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and substituting the following instead thereof:

SECT. 26. The commission may authorize any company operating a street railway or any public utility to discontinue, temporarily or during such portion of each year as the commission may deem expedient, the operation of any part of its road in the case of a street railway or any part of its service in the case of a public utility, whenever it shall appear that such temporary or seasonal discontinuance will not unreasonably inconvenience the public, or to discontinue the same permanently and remove the tracks, poles or other equipment essential to the same whenever it shall appear that the public good does not require the further continuance of such operation or service. The commission may authorize the proprietors to either temporarily or permanently discontinue the operation of the steam railroads known as the Profile Branch, from its junction with the Bethlehem Branch, and the Waumbek Branch, between Cherry Mountain and Jefferson stations, or either of them, if it shall appear that such discontinuance is not inconsistent with the public good, or that the expense of such continued

operation will be confiscatory or so disproportionate to the resulting public benefit as to be unreasonable; but no order authorizing such temporary or permanent discontinuance of operation shall be made until after notice to the attorney general and such public notice as the commission may deem reasonable, and a hearing and any parties who appear and are heard may appeal in accordance with the provisions of Section 22 of this act with respect to any such order.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 275 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapters 24 and 282 of the Public Statutes, relating to common jails and the prisoners therein.

Amend said bill by striking out Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Two jails shall be kept and maintained in the state, one at Haverhill and one at Manchester, each of said jails to be maintained by the county in which it is located; and the county commissioners of all other counties in the state are hereby authorized to close, sell, or otherwise dispose of the jails in their counties, including the real estate and all appurtenances used in connection with said jails, the proceeds from such sale or disposal in any county to be paid to the county treasurer for the general use of that county. Whenever a jail is closed, any justice of the superior court, either in term time or in vacation, may thereupon order the prisoners then confined in such jail to be removed therefrom to some other jail in the same or another county to be designated by said justice as a substitute for the jail so closed, there to be detained in the same manner and by the same process as in the jail from which they were so removed until again removed by like process or discharged according to law.

Further amend said bill by inserting in Section 2 after the words "for trial or upon sentence" the words "or for any

other cause," so that said section as amended shall read: "Commitments of persons held for trial or upon sentence or for any other cause may be made to any jail not closed as designated by a justice of the supreme court; if to a jail in another county, the county from which they are committed shall pay the county maintaining the jail a reasonable sum for their care and board, said sum to be determined, in case of disagreement, by the superior court.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 388, An act relating to lights upon certain vehicles on public highways.

Amend said bill by renumbering Section 3 thereof Section 4 and inserting a new section as follows:

SECT. 3. Amend Section 4 of Chapter 105 of the Laws of 1913 by striking out the word "existing" so that said section shall read:

SECT. 4. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to affect the provisions of any statute, rule or regulation requiring lighted lamps on motor vehicles, nor the legal obligations of operators, or occupants thereof.

On motion of Mr. Flint of Plymouth the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed the following bill in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 40, An act to incorporate the Manchester Morris Plan Bank.

SENATE BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Senate Bill No. 40, An act to incorporate the Manchester Morris Plan Bank.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were sus-

pended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time and referred to the Committee on Banks.

RECONSIDERATION.

Mr. Meader of Rochester moved that the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed Senate Bill No. 12, An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state be reconsidered.

The question being on the motion to reconsider,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Hecker of Manchester moved the previous question.

The question being,

Shall the main question now be put?

On a *viva voce* vote the previous question was ordered.

The question being,

Shall the vote whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed be reconsidered?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Bedell of Jefferson called for a division.

A division being had, 199 members voted in the affirmative and 29 members voted in the negative and the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The question being,

Shall the bill be indefinitely postponed?

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Bedell of Jefferson offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 5 of said bill by striking out the words "one-half of the" and inserting in place thereof the words "the entire" so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 5. And the said city of Dover shall pay to the state treasurer the entire sum paid by said highway commissioner for the purchase of that part of said bridge lying within the state of New Hampshire, said sum to be credited to the highway department.

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. King of Walpole called for a division.

A division being had, the vote was declared manifestly in the negative.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Mr. Barrett of Dover moved that the vote whereby the bill passed be reconsidered.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Mr. Tuck of Concord moved that the resolution regarding the minimum wage commission be taken from the table.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Mower of Jaffrey at 1 o'clock the House took a recess until 2 o'clock.

(After recess.)

(Mr. Price of Lisbon in the chair.)

Captain Herbert H. Rouse, special representative of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, and Hon. W. G. Ennen, of the Federal Board of Vocational Education, severally addressed the House.

On motion of Mr. Angell of Derry at 2.48 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

(Mr. Price of Lisbon in the chair.)

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 323, An act legalizing the biennial elections held in certain towns on November 2, 1920.

House Bill No. 406, An act in amendment of Section 13 (e) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 13 (e) of Chapter 145 of the Laws of 1913, and Chapter 162 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the powers of the Public Service Commission.

House Bill No. 407, An act to legalize certain town meetings.

House Bill No. 409, An act relating to foreign insurance companies and their agents.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Senate Bill No. 16, An act in amendment of Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, providing for rest for municipal employees of the city of Manchester.

Senate Bill No. 30, An act to amend an act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester approved January 27, 1921.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The Speaker made the following announcement:

At a meeting of committees appointed by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, Tuesday, the New Hampshire Legislative Association was organized. Membership is to consist of present and past members of the Senate and House, heads of state departments, legislative officials and legislative newspaper reporters. The following officers were elected: President, O. L. Frisbee; treasurer, H. H. Meader; secretary, W. T. Billings; executive committee, Representative Kenney, chairman, Senators Orr, Cole, Bean and Conway, and Representatives Blanchard, Knapp, Cross, Boisvert and Leavitt of Portsmouth.

The membership fee is 25 cents.

Please pay to any officer or at the clerk's desk.

On motion of Mr. Greer of Goffstown at 3.14 o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Messrs. Kenison of Allenstown and Childs of Hillsborough were granted leave of absence for the day on account of important business.

Mr. Ordway of Milford was granted leave of absence for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Carr of Haverhill was granted leave of absence for the week on account of sickness in his family.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

House Bill No. 283, An act repealing Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1911, and amendments thereto, and enacting a motor vehicle law.

House Bill No. 343, An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy and the sale of drugs and medicines.

House Bill No. 398, An act relating to the consolidation of separate school districts within a town or city.

House Bill No. 403, An act regulating the purchase of legislative supplies.

House Bill No. 404, An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Salvation Army of Nashua, New Hampshire.

House Joint Resolution No. 17, Joint resolution for additional improvements at the State Hospital.

House Joint Resolution No. 44, Joint resolution to create a department of university extension within the state board of education.

House Joint Resolution No. 45, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Prison.

Senate Bill No. 30, An act to amend an act to establish a department of highways for the city of Manchester approved January 27, 1921.

House Bill No. 91, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury.

House Bill No. 140, An act in amendment of Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, Joint resolution in favor of the widow of Joe W. Daniels.

House Joint Resolution No. 8, Joint resolution for the repair and improvement of the Tibbetts Hill road in the town of Brookfield.

House Joint Resolution No. 12, Joint resolution in favor of repairing Sugar Loaf road in the town of Alexandria.

House Joint Resolution No. 30, Joint resolution for the purchase of land at the State Industrial School.

House Joint Resolution No. 43, Joint resolution to provide for co-operation with the United States Geological Survey in the establishment and maintenance of stream flow gauging stations.

House Joint Resolution No. 48, Joint resolution in favor of the School for the Feeble Minded.

House Joint Resolution No. 52, Joint resolution appropriating money for the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

House Joint Resolution No. 63, Joint resolution to provide for the deficit in the department of the state board of education for the year 1920–1921.

House Joint Resolution No. 65, Joint resolution providing for the deficit of the State Industrial School.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 411, An act relating to the terms of the superior court, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 60, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 158 of the Laws of 1915, relating to terms of the superior court for Carroll county, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by a new bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House Bill No. 304, An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 158 of the Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 32 of the Laws of 1919, relating to terms of the superior court for Rockingham county, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate, the subject matter being covered by a new bill.

The report was accepted and the resolution of the committee adopted.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 410, An act directing the revaluation of the property of the state by the tax commission, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 412, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of an annual state tax for the term of two years, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Brown of Concord, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 40, An act to incorporate the Manchester Morris Plan Bank, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a third time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 413, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of a special state tax for deficiencies for the year 1921, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 414, An act making appropriations for the expenses of the state of New Hampshire for the year ending June 30, 1922, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The first reading of the bill having begun on motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the further reading of the bill was dispensed with. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were further suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 415, An act making appropriations for the expenses of the state of New Hampshire for the year ending June 30, 1923, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the bill read a first time by its title. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were further suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 31, An act to amend Chapter 291 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 341 of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 258 of the Laws of 1919, relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendments, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the title by striking it out and inserting in place thereof the following:

An act relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester.

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. The city of Manchester shall not become indebted in an amount exceeding five per cent of the last preceding valuation for the assessment of taxes on the polls and taxable property therein.

SECT. 2. Section 1, Chapter 291, Laws of 1913, as

amended by Section 1, Chapter 341, Laws of 1917, repealed by Section 10, Chapter 129, Laws of 1917, and further amended by Section 1, Chapter 258, Laws of 1919, is hereby repealed.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendments.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Moneys received by the state treasurer, as provided in Section 1, shall be available for general revenue of the state, with the following exceptions: moneys received by the fish and game department, which shall be credited to the fish and game fund; fees from the motor vehicle department, which, after deducting the amount allowed by the legislature for maintaining said department, shall be credited to the highway department for maintenance of highways; and the fees collected by the public service commission of railroads, public utilities and owners of dams for money paid out by the commission to experts and assistants not in its regular employ, which fees shall be appropriated to reimburse the state for money so paid out. The full amount allowed for the maintenance of each institution and department shall be appropriated by each legislature for the biennial period next following.

The Committee of Conference to whom was referred House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the de-

partment of highways of the city of Manchester, recommended that the House recede from its position of non-concurrence and concur in the Senate amendment.

JOSEPH P. KENNEY,
G. ALLEN PUTNAM,
ERNEST A. MERRILL,
House Confrèrees.
W. B. McKAY,
THOMAS J. CONWAY,
Senate Confrèrees.

The report was accepted and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

The bill was then sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the report.

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen, recommended that the House recede from its position of non-concurrence and concur in the Senate amendment.

JOSEPH P. KENNEY,
G. ALLEN PUTNAM,
ERNEST A. MERRILL,
House Confrèrees.
W. B. McKAY,
THOMAS J. CONWAY,
Senate Confrèrees.

The report was accepted and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

The bill was then sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the report.

The Committee on Conference to whom was referred House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers, reported same with the recommendation that the House recede from its position of non-concurrence in the Senate amendment and

concur with the Honorable Senate in the adoption of its amendment and further recommended that the House and the Senate adopt the following amendment:

Further amend said bill by striking out after the word "and" in the second line of Section 1, the words, "the school board," and inserting in place thereof the following: "two thirds of the members of the school board actually voting in favor thereof," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. The board of mayor and aldermen of the city of Manchester may at the request of the superintendent of schools and two thirds of the members of the school board actually voting in favor thereof, retire from active service any teacher of the public schools who has performed faithful service as a teacher in said Manchester for a period of at least 30 consecutive years, and may grant a pension to such retired teacher for a period not exceeding one year at a time.

JOSEPH F. KENNEY,
G. ALLEN PUTNAM,
E. A. MERRILL,
House Confrèrees.
WILLIAM B. McKAY,
THOMAS J. CONWAY,
Senate Confrèrees.

The report was accepted, the amendment adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the report.

Mr. Norton of Manchester, for the Committee on County Affairs, to whom was referred House Bill No. 197, An act relating to the salaries of certain sheriffs, reported the same with the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on County Affairs, to whom was referred House Bill No. 197, An act relating to the salaries of certain sheriffs, being unable to

agree with the majority reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

GEO. A. BLANCHARD,
EDWARD B. COBB,
CHAS. W. BARNES.

Mr. Blanchard of Moultonborough moved that the report of the minority be substituted for the report of the majority.

The question being on the motion to substitute,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Challis of Manchester offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 1 of said bill by striking out the word "eight" in the thirteenth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "ten."

The question being on the amendment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

Mr. Hodgdon of Portsmouth offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 1 of said bill by striking out the word "six" in the eighth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "ten."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was not adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

BILL FORWARDED.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended to allow of the forwarding of a bill.

House Bill No. 408, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 181, Laws of 1917, entitled, An act permitting sterilizing operations in certain cases of mental disease and feeble mindedness.

Taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had adopted the following concurrent resolution, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

WHEREAS, It appears that all necessary legislative work may be easily accomplished by Thursday, April 14, *proximo*, therefore be it

Resolved, by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the present session of the legislature be brought to final adjournment on Thursday, April 14, *proximo*, at five o'clock in the afternoon, and be it further

Resolved, That all reports, bills and joint resolutions pending at that time in either branch of the legislature be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the resolution sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendments to the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 36, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 59, of the Session Laws of 1899, relating to encumbrances and encroachments of highways.

Senate Bill No. 38, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, relating to fish and game.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolutions, sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 91, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury.

House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relating to diseases of domestic animals.

House Bill No. 344, An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent construction of highway bridges throughout the state.

House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts.

House Bill No. 395, An act in relation to jurors and being in amendment of Chapter 209 of the Public Statutes.

House Joint Resolution No. 66, Joint resolution in favor of Ellon A. Safford.

House Joint Resolution No. 67, Joint resolution in favor of Wilbur G. Colcord.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to accede to the request of the House of Representatives for a Committee on Conference on the following bills, and the president had appointed as members of such committee, on the part of the Senate, Senators Conway and McKay.

House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers.

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highway of the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following house bills and joint resolutions, in the adoption of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 85 (in Senate new draft), An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes, relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word "Statutes" in line two of said section the following:
as amended by Chapter 15, Laws of 1897, and Chapter 184, Laws of 1913.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 15, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate of Sullivan county.

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. From and after April 1, 1921, the salary of the register of probate of Sullivan county shall be twelve hundred dollars per annum payable as now provided by law.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 285, An act relating to the division of the state into forest fire districts.

Amend the title of the bill by striking it out and inserting in place thereof the following:

An act relating to a division of the state into forest fire districts.

Amend the bill by striking out the first two lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 6, Chapter 128, Laws of 1909, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 166, Laws of 1911, and Section 2, Chapter 159, Laws of 1913, by striking out the words "not more than four" in the third line of said section so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

On motion of Mr. Haskell of Holderness the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 317 (in new draft), An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools.

Amend the bill by adding after Section 10 a new section to read as follows:

SECT. 11. This act shall be deemed to supersede in its provisions any provisions, inconsistent therewith, of an act to revise and codify the school laws of the state, passed at the present session of the legislature.

Further amend the bill by renumbering the original Section 11 so that it will read Section 12.

On motion of Mr. McHugh of Gorham the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants.

Amend Section 9 of the bill by inserting after the figures "1917" in the first line of said section the following:

"As amended by Chapter 28, Laws of 1919."

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Amherst the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 364, An act to amend Section 19 (d) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the Public Service Commission.

Amend the bill by striking out the following words in the first three lines of Section 1, "Section 19 (d) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended, is hereby repealed by substituting therefor the following," and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 19, Chapter 164, Laws of 1911, as inserted by Section 18, Chapter 145, Laws of 1913, and amended by Section 3, Chapter 99, Laws of 1915, is hereby amended by striking out all of sub-division (d) and inserting in place thereof the following:

On motion of Mr. Blodgett of Pittsburg the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium.

Amend the joint resolution by striking out all after the resolving clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

That the following sums amounting to one hundred and thirty-two thousand dollars ($132,000) be and hereby are appropriated for the New Hampshire State Sanatorium, to be expended in accordance with plans and specifications to be approved by the governor and council; said sums to be expended under the direction of the trustees of said institution, as follows: For an infirmary building, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars ($125,000); for a new boiler and setting, three thousand dollars ($3,000); for a new generator, two thousand dollars ($2,000); for a tunnel from the kitchen to the infirmary, two thousand dollars ($2,000). The state treasurer is hereby authorized under the direction of the governor and council to borrow, upon the credit of the state, such sums as are needed to carry out the provisions of this resolution, not to exceed in all the sum of one hundred thirty-two thousand dollars ($132,000), and for that purpose may issue bonds, or notes, in the name of and on behalf of the state, at the lowest rate of interest obtainable, in such form and such denominations and on such time as the governor and council may determine. Such bonds or notes shall be countersigned by the governor and shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the state. The secretary of state shall keep an account of all such bonds or notes countersigned by the governor, showing the number and amount of each bond or note, the time of countersigning, the time when payable, and date of delivery to the state treasurer. The state treasurer shall keep an account of each bond or note, showing the number thereof, the name of the person to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of the sale, and the time when payable. The treasurer may negotiate and sell such bonds or notes in such manner as the governor and council may determine most advan-

tageous to the state. The governor shall draw his warrant on the state treasury for the amounts that may be, or become, due from time to time, under the contracts of the trustees, approved by the governor and council, for the purposes aforesaid, after said bills shall have been duly approved by the governor and council, to an amount not exceeding the proceeds of said bonds or notes.

This joint resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Pushee of Lyme the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for naming of highways.

Amend the bill by striking out Sections 1 and 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the state highway commissioner to confer with the selectmen of towns, or appropriate city officials in the case of cities, in regard to the naming of highways which have not hitherto been named.

SECT. 2. In co-operation with said highway commissioner it shall be the duty of said selectmen and said city officials in so far as practicable to provide names for highways not hitherto named. Said selectmen may at their discretion submit such names for approval at any meeting of the legal voters of the town, and said names should appear on all guide boards hereafter erected in accordance with provisions of Section 1, Chapter 78 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 175, Laws of 1913.

On motion of Mr. Pillsbury of Derry the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills, with amendments, in the passage of

which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 342, An act in amendment of Chapter 120 of the Session Laws of 1909, providing for a board of parole.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the first two lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 3, Chapter 120, Laws of 1909, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 116, Laws of 1919, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 3. The board of

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 4, Chapter 120, Laws of 1909, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 4. When it appears to the board of parole that any convict released from the state prison on a permit from the governor and council under the provisions of Section 2 of this act has violated the terms of this permit, or has violated the law, or has fallen among criminal companions, it shall be the duty of said board to file a sworn complaint against said convict, setting forth the facts, with one of the clerks of the superior court. Thereupon said clerk shall issue a capias for the arrest and production before the court of the paroled convict, and he may be thereupon arrested by any sheriff or his deputy or any constable or police officer and brought before a justice of the superior court, in term time or vacation. Said convict may be committed to jail to await the determination of the proceedings. At the hearing upon such complaint the board of parole shall be entitled to the assistance of the attorney general or the solicitor of the county in which the hearing is held, and the convict may employ counsel to act in his behalf in such proceedings. If the complaint is filed in any other county than that from which the respondent was originally committed, the clerk of said court shall upon the termination of the hearing, transmit the papers to the clerk of the court

for the county from which the respondent was originally committed, to be by him filed with the papers in the original proceeding.

Amend Section 3 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 3. Amend Section 6, Chapter 120, Laws of 1909, by adding at the end of said section the following: *Provided, however*, that in case a convict so recommitted shall properly conduct himself in every way to the satisfaction of the warden of the prison he shall, upon the recommendation of the warden, be allowed not more than three days in each month during the remainder of his sentence, to be deducted from the maximum term for such good behavior, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECT. 6. A convict so recommitted shall serve the remainder of his maximum sentence and in computing the period of his confinement the time between his release upon permit and the time of his return to prison shall not be considered as any part of the term of his original sentence. *Provided, however*, that in case a convict so recommitted shall properly conduct himself in every way to the satisfaction of the warden of the prison he shall, upon the recommendation of the warden, be allowed not more than three days in each month during the remainder of his sentence, to be deducted from the maximum term for such good behavior.

On motion of Mr. Jackman of Enfield the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 89, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game.

Amend the amendment adopted by the Senate by striking out the whole thereof and substituting in place thereof the following:

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the definition of brook trout in the thirteenth and fourteenth lines and

also in the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth lines of said section and inserting in place thereof the following definition:

Brook Trout: The term brook trout shall include brook or speckled trout, rainbow trout, steel head trout and brown trout.

Amend Section 14 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 14. Amend sub-division (a), Section 28, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 13, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and by an act passed at the present session of the legislature, by adding at the end of said sub-division the following: *Provided*, that no brook trout less than ten inches in length shall be taken from Success pond in the county of Coos, so that said sub-division as amended shall read as follows:

(a) Brook or speckled trout not less than ten inches in length may be taken and possessed from April fifth to September first from Sunapee lake, Newfound lake, Crystal lake in Enfield, Tewksbury pond in Grafton, and Pleasant pond in New London; brook trout not less than seven inches in length may be taken and possessed from May first to August first from Dublin pond in Dublin; brook trout not less than seven inches in length may be taken and possessed from April fifteenth to September first from all other ponds and lakes, except that such trout may not be taken and possessed from the waters of Russell pond, in the town of Woodstock, prior to May twentieth in any year; brook trout not less than six inches in length may be taken and possessed from May first to September first from the streams in Coos, Carroll, and Grafton counties; brook trout not less than six inches in length may be taken and possessed from April first to August first from all other streams of this state. *Provided*, that no brook trout less than ten inches in length shall be taken from Success pond in the county of Coos.

On motion of Mr. Cilley of Manchester the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 391, An act amending Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, relative to the taking of land for military and other purposes.

Amend the bill by striking out Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 2. Amend Section 3, Chapter 221, Laws of 1917, by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: SECT. 3. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon any money in the treasury available for military purposes or not otherwise appropriated in payment for real estate acquired for military purposes under the provisions of this act, or, if land is so acquired for other public purposes, only upon money appropriated for such purposes.

On motion of Mr. Pariso of Grafton the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Joint Resolution No. 64, Joint resolution to authorize the appointment of a board of publicity.

Amend Joint Resolution No. 64, by adding in line 7 thereof after the word "railroads" the words "and other persons interested," and further amend said resolution by adding after the word "railroads" in line 10 the words "and others," so that said resolution shall read as follows: "That the governor is hereby authorized to appoint, with the advice and consent of the council, a board of three members who shall serve as a board of publicity. Said board shall have authority to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine, Maine Central and Grand Trunk railroads and other persons interested for the purpose of devising means to advertise the attractions and resources of the state, in co-operation with the advertising bureaus of the railroads and others. Members of the board shall serve without pay. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. McLinn of Warren the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

ORDER VACATED.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the order whereby Senate Bill No. 40, An act to incorporate the Manchester Morris Plan Bank, was recommitted to the Committee on Banks was vacated.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the governor be requested to return to the House, House Bill No. 91, entitled, "An act in amendment of Chapter 203, of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury."

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Ahern of Concord raised the point of order that the House cannot recall a bill upon which they did not take the last action.

The speaker ruled the point well taken.

Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "governor" and inserting in place thereof the words "Honorable Senate."

On a *viva voce* vote the amendment was adopted.

The question being on the resolution,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Larivee of Manchester at 1.35 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House met at 3 o'clock.

THIRD READINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the third reading of bills by their titles made in order.

House Bill No. 408, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 181, Laws of 1917, entitled, "An act permitting sterilizing operations in certain cases of mental disease and feeble mindedness."

House Bill No. 411, An act relating to the terms of the superior court.

House Bill No. 412, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of an annual state tax for the term of two years.

House Bill No. 413, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of a special state tax for deficiencies for the year 1921.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

House Bill No. 197, An act relating to the salaries of certain sheriffs.

Senate Bill No. 40, An act to incorporate the Manchester Morris Plan Bank.

Severally read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 410, An act directing the revaluation of the property of the state by the tax commission.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Dover the bill was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended to allow of the introduction of reports from committees.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield, for the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 416, An act in amendment of an act passed by the House of

Representatives on April 6, 1921, and by the Honorable Senate on April 12, 1921, entitled, "An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 417, An act relating to appropriations for the highway department, with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Winslow of Nashua the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Leavitt of Effingham, for the Committee on Agriculture, reported the following entitled bill, House Bill No. 418, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The bill was read a first time.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Dudley of Exeter moved that the bill be laid upon the table but subsequently withdrew his motion.

Mr. Ahern of Concord moved that the House take a recess for five minutes.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Ahern,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

AFTER RECESS.

Mr. Ahern of Concord moved that the rules be suspended to permit the introduction of a report from a committee.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Ahern,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Lord of Manchester, for the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following joint resolution, House Joint Resolution No. 68, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward, William H. Knox, and others, with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution read a first time. The second reading having begun on motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the further reading of the joint resolution was dispensed with.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the printing of the joint resolution dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the joint resolution made in order for a third reading by its caption at the present time.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The consideration of House Bill No. 418, An act in amendment of Chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury, was resumed.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

On a *viva voce* vote the affirmative prevailed. The bill was then read a second time.

Mr. Callahan of Keene moved that the rules be suspended, the printing of the bill dispensed with, and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Callahan,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter called for a division but subsequently withdrew his call.

Mr. Thayer of Concord moved that the House adjourn.

On a *viva voce* vote the motion did not prevail.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had passed the following bill and joint resolution, in the passage of which it asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Senate Bill No. 37 (new draft), An act to provide for commissioning certain state officials as general law enforcement officers.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3, Joint resolution appointing a commission for the purpose of collecting information regarding traffic and transportation over the Connecticut river and reporting same to the legislature of 1923.

Senate Bill No. 41, An act relating to the issue of bonds by the school district of the town of Hampton.

SENATE BILLS READ.

Senate Bill No. 37, An act to provide for commissioning certain state officials as general law enforcement officers.

The bill was read a first and second time.

Mr. Rogers of Wakefield moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Rogers,

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 41, An act relating to the issue of bonds by the school district of the town of Hampton.

Read a first time.

The question being,

Shall the bill be read a second time?

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed and the bill was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the printing of the bill and its reference to a committee dispensed with.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the bill made in order for a third reading by its title at the present time.

The bill was then read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3, Joint resolution appointing a commission for the purpose of collecting information regarding traffic and transportation over the Connecticut river and reporting same to the legislature of 1923.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the rules were suspended and the reference of the joint resolution to a committee dispensed with.

The joint resolution was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of the same gentleman the rules were further suspended and the third reading of the joint resolution by its caption made in order at the present time.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed and sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Carter of Tilton at 5.25 o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1921.

The House met at 11 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Blue of Conway, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state.

Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Elliot.

House Bill No. 275, An act in amendment of Chapters 24 and 282 of the Public Statutes, relating to common jails and the prisoners therein.

House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to open season on deer.

House Bill No. 366, An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts.

House Bill No. 388, An act relating to lights upon certain vehicles on public highways.

House Bill No. 395, An act in relation to jurors and being in amendment of Chapter 209 of the Public Statutes.

House Bill No. 406, An act in amendment of Section 13 (e) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 13 (e) of Chapter 145 of the Laws of 1913, and Chapter 162 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the powers of the Public Service Commission.

House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages.

House Joint Resolution No. 58, Joint resolution in favor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

House Joint Resolution No. 66, Joint resolution in favor of Ellon A. Safford.

House Joint Resolution No. 67, Joint resolution in favor of Wilbur G. Colcord.

Senate Bill No. 16, An act in amendment of Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, providing for rest for municipal employees of the city of Manchester.

Senate Bill No. 36, An act in amendment of Section 1, Chapter 59, of the Session Laws of 1899, relating to encumbrances and encroachments of highways.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 89, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game, reported the same, under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendments and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 10 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 10. Amend sub-division (c), Section 55, Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, as amended by Section 20, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, by striking out the words "one dollar" in the second line of said sub-division and inserting in place thereof the words "two dollars and fifteen cents," and further amend said sub-division by striking out the sentence beginning with the words "Said agent shall account" in the sixth to the thirteenth lines of said sub-division and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: "Said agent shall account to the commission for the full face value of all licenses and permits except that said agent may retain fifteen cents on each license sold, as his commission, and he shall, on the first day of each month, pay to the commission the full value of all licenses sold less his commission," so that said sub-division as amended shall read as follows: (c) If the applicant is a non-resident and wishes to take fresh water fish only, he shall pay the sum of two dollars and fifteen cents, and said agent shall thereupon issue a non-resident fishing license showing the date when issued, which shall entitle the licensee to kill, take and transport fresh

water fish under the restrictions of this act. Said agent shall account to the commission for the full face value of all licenses and permits except that said agent may retain fifteen cents on each license or permit sold, as his commission, and he shall, on the first day of each month, pay to the commission the full value of all licenses sold less his commission. Agents shall return to the commission, within ten days after the close of the current year, all unused license blanks with a statement of the amount remitted on license account during the year. The commission and agents shall be held responsible to the state treasurer for the face value of all license blanks supplied to them until settlement has been made at the end of the fiscal year.

Further amend said bill by adding the following new section to be numbered Section 15:

SECT. 15. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendments.

The Speaker read the following:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONCORD, APRIL 13, 1921.

To the Honorable House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire:

The resolution passed by your honorable body, asking the Public Service Commission to furnish you with detailed information in regard to financial results to the Boston & Maine Railroad from the operation of its lines in New Hampshire, was handed to the commission only this morning. As the legislature has voted to adjourn tomorrow, April 14, at 5 p. m., it can readily be seen that the time is too limited to enable us to get out a satisfactory report on this resolution even if we had the necessary data on file in our office with which to do so, which we have not.

The Boston & Maine Railroad files with the New Hamp-

shire Public Service Commission as its annual reports, a duplicate of the annual reports which it files with the Interstate Commerce Commission. The Interstate Commerce Commission does not require the railroad to report in detail or generally the result of its operations in the various states, and, therefore, its annual reports show only the result of its operations as a unified system. Doubtless the information asked for in a large part, at least, is obtainable from the records of the railroad, but to obtain it would involve a good many clerks and accountants for a considerable length of time. To make the necessary research and investigation would cost considerable money, the exact amount of which we are unable to state. We assume this is not your desire as no appropriation was made for that purpose.

What we understand the legislature desires in a general way is to know definitely whether or not the railroad business done in New Hampshire is a paying proposition. In other words, is the management using what is made in New Hampshire to make up for losses incurred in other states.

In 1911 the New Hampshire Public Service Commission ordered the railroad to report not only its total operating revenues and expenses but the operating revenues and expenses attributable to New Hampshire business. This caused so much expense and labor to the railroad that this order was not kept in force after the year ending June 30, 1913.

For that year, however, the report showed as follows:

OPERATING REVENUES

	Entire line	*State of New Hampshire Total revenues*
Total operating revenues	$48,513,507.35	$10,907,266.54
Total operating expenses	38,101,424.62	8,993,425.38
Ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues, per cent	78.54	82.46

Of course it is a long cry from 1913 to 1921, but assuming that the same system prevails now of keeping its accounts that prevailed then and that conditions remain unchanged, it is fair to conclude that the New Hampshire lines as a whole are not carrying any more than their fair share of the burden.

To determine what particular lines, if any, in New Hampshire are paying and what are losing propositions, what revenue was derived for the past six years from the rural stations recently closed, and to answer other various questions embraced in said resolution would require a detailed study of the company's books and records which the short time before adjournment does not permit of even though we had the means at our disposal to finance such an undertaking.

It is interesting to note that the total mileage of the Boston & Maine Railroad is 2,257.85, while the total mileage within the state of New Hampshire is 1,020.01.

If it be the desire of the governor and council that we furnish them at a later date more detailed information called for by said resolution, we shall cheerfully comply with a request to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

N. H. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,

WILLIAM T. GUNNISON,
THOMAS W. D. WORTHEN,
JOHN W. STORRS,
Commissioners.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 226, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden incident to the trial of *State* v. *John E. Weeden*, for manslaughter.

House Bill No. 323, An act legalizing the biennial elections held in certain towns on November 2, 1920.

House Bill No. 407, An act to legalize certain town meetings.

House Bill No. 409, An act relating to foreign insurance companies and their agents.

House Bill No. 239, An act relating to the sale, quality and standards of dairy products.

House Bill No. 405, An act in amendment to an act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea, approved March 29, 1921.

House Bill No. 406, An act in amendment of Section 13 (e) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 13 (e) of Chapter 145 of the Laws of 1913, and Chapter 162 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the powers of the Public Service Commission.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following concurrent resolution with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Amend said resolution by striking out the whole thereof and substituting the following:

That, beginning July 1, 1921, each register of deeds and each register of probate in the state of New Hampshire shall keep a full and accurate record of all fees received by him, and of all expenses paid by him, in the conduct of his official business; and that said registers shall, respectively, on or before January 2, 1923, report to the secretary of state the total amounts so received and paid for the period ending January 1, 1923, for the information of the next general court:

And that, the secretary of state shall send a copy of this resolution to each such register.

On motion of Mr. Lee of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its adoption

of the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following bills:

House Bill No. 346, An act in amendment of Section 14 of Chapter 133 of the Laws of 1915, relating to an open season on deer.

Senate Bill No. 29, An act authorizing the town of Fitzwilliam to accept the gift of George B. Elliot.

House Joint Resolution No. 20, Joint resolution for the treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis, particularly in the advanced stages.

Senate Bill No. 28, An act relating to contracts of school districts with high schools or academies outside the state.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendment offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relating to diseases of domestic animals.

Amend the bill by striking out the first two lines of Section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 132, Laws of 1909, Chapter 125, Laws of 1915, and Chapter 154, Laws of 1919, is hereby amended by striking out the

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message further announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 48 (new draft and new title), An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing

Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia.

Amend Section 3 by inserting the word "two" after the word "the" in line 12, and by adding at the end of said section the words "including vacancies caused in 1921 by the expiration of term of office," so that said section as amended shall read:

SECT. 3. Nominations for members of the board of education may be made by political parties entitled to representation on the city election ballot, which nominations shall be made in the same manner as nominations for mayor are made: or nominations may be made by petition of at least twenty-five legal voters of the city addressed to the city clerk and delivered to him not less than seven days preceding the election, all signatures on such petitions first having been certified by the city supervisors as the genuine signatures of qualified voters of the city. The city clerk shall cause the names of all persons nominated to be printed on the city election ballot in alphabetical order in a single column entitled, "For members of the board of education, vote for two," which column shall also provide space for writing in names of persons not nominated as aforesaid. The two persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of tie vote, except for the highest number, the board of education, as it existed the day preceding the election, shall choose from the candidates involved in the tie by majority vote.

Any vacancies occurring on the board of education shall be filled by the other members of said board including vacancies caused in 1921 by the expiration of terms of office.

Amend Section 4 by striking out all of said section and substituting therefor a new section as follows:

SECT. 4. The provisions of Chapter 43, Section 4, Laws of 1895, and any amendments thereto shall govern the issue of any bonds issued for school purposes; Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, is hereby repealed. Said city of Laconia and said Laconia school district together shall not incur debt to an

amount exceeding five per cent of the last assessed valuation of said city. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Normandin of Laconia the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1917, relating to factory inspection.

Amend Section 2 by striking out the last four words of said section, "twenty-five hundred dollars," and inserting in place thereof, "twenty-seven hundred and fifty dollars."

On motion of Mr. Tuck of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendments to the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 12 (in new draft), An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state.

Senate Bill No. 16, An act in amendment of Chapter 279, Laws of 1919, providing for rest for municipal employees of the city of Manchester.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. Barrett of Dover offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Senator Moses of New Hampshire has introduced in the Senate of the United States a bill appropriating $3,500,000 for the purpose of erecting a memorial in France to the American soldiers and sailors who participated in the World War, therefore be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire that we indorse the proposed memorial of Senator Moses commemorating the heroic valor and great sacrifices of our soldiers and sailors and that we urge the

enactment of the proposed measure of Senator Moses at the earliest practical moment, and urge our senators and representatives to use their influence to that end.

On a *viva voce* vote the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 12.25 o'clock the House took a recess until 2 o'clock.

(After recess.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following:

Senate Bill No. 12, An act to provide for the freeing of Eliot toll bridge and to authorize the state highway department to purchase and maintain that part lying within the state.

Senate Bill No. 38, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, relating to fish and game.

Senate Bill No. 40, An act to incorporate the Manchester Morris Plan Bank.

Senate Bill No. 41, An act relating to the issue of bonds by the school district of the town of Hampton.

House Bill No. 15, An act relating to the salary of the register of probate of Sullivan county.

House Bill No. 85, An act in amendment of Section 4, Chapter 184 of the Public Statutes, relating to the times and places of holding courts of probate in the county of Carroll.

House Bill No. 195, An act to provide for naming of highways.

House Bill No. 206, An act to provide for the registration of public accountants.

House Bill No. 266, An act authorizing Strafford county to defray the expenses of John E. Weeden incident to the trial of *State* v. *John E. Weeden*, for manslaughter.

House Bill No. 239, An act relating to the sale, quality and standards of dairy products.

House Bill No. 257, An act in amendment of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, entitled, "An act to establish a

public service commission," as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1917.

House Bill No. 285, An act relating to the division of the state into forest fire districts.

House Bill No. 323, An act legalizing the biennial elections held in certain towns on November 2, 1920.

House Bill No. 342, An act in amendment of Chapter 120 of the Session Laws of 1909, providing for a board of parole.

House Bill No. 344, An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the permanent construction of highway bridges throughout the state.

House Bill No. 364, An act to amend Section 19 (d) of Chapter 164 of the Laws of 1911, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1915, relating to the Public Service Commission.

House Bill No. 391, An act amending Chapter 221 of the Laws of 1917, relative to the taking of land for military and other purposes.

House Bill No. 405, An act in amendment of an act relating to the marriage of persons having syphilis or gonorrhoea, approved March 29, 1921.

House Bill No. 407, An act to legalize certain town meetings.

House Bill No. 409, An act relating to foreign insurance companies and their agents.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3, Joint resolution appointing a commission for the purpose of collecting information regarding traffic and transportation over the Connecticut river and reporting same to the legislature of 1923.

House Joint Resolution No. 14, Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire State Sanatorium.

House Joint Resolution No. 64, Joint resolution to authorize the appointment of a board of publicity.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord at 2.30 o'clock the House took a recess.

(After recess.)

(Mr. Putnam of Manchester in the chair.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following joint resolution with amendment, in the passage of which amendment the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Joint Resolution No. 68, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward, William H. Knox and others.

Amend said joint resolution by adding at the end thereof the words "that the Edson C. Eastman Company be allowed the sum of $587.15; that the Underwood Typewriter Company be allowed the sum of $60.00."

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House concurred in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The joint resolution was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Challis of Manchester the House took a recess.

(After recess.)

(Mr. McHugh of Gorham in the chair.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 408, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 181, Laws of 1917, entitled, "An act permitting sterilizing operations in certain cases of mental disease and feeble mindedness."

House Bill No. 411, An act relating to the terms of the superior court.

House Bill No. 412, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of an annual state tax for the term of two years.

House Bill No. 413, An act to provide for the assessment

and collection of a special state tax for deficiencies for the year 1921.

House Bill No. 416, An act in amendment of an act passed by the House of Representatives on April 6, 1921, and by the Honorable Senate on April 12, 1921, entitled, "An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts.

House Bill No. 417, An act relating to appropriations for the highway department.

The message further announced that the Senate had adopted the recommendations proposed by the Committee on Conference to the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen.

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Session Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highways of the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers.

The message also announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the adoption of amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following entitled bills:

Senate Bill No. 31, An act to amend Chapter 291 of the Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 341 of the Laws of 1917, and Chapter 258 of the Laws of 1919, relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury.

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the House took a recess.

(After recess.)

(Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock in chair.)

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing

Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia, reported the same under Joint Rule No. 6, with the following amendment and the recommendation that the bill as amended ought to pass.

Amend Section 4 of the bill by adding after the figures "1915" in the third line of said section the words and figures "as amended by Chapter 247, Laws of 1919," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECT. 4. The provisions of Chapter 43, Section 4, Laws of 1895, and any amendments thereto shall govern the issue of any bonds issued for school purposes. Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 247, Laws of 1919, is hereby repealed. Said city of Laconia and said Laconia school district together shall not incur debts to an amount exceeding five per cent of the last assessed valuation of said city. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Callahan of Keene the House concurred in the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the Senate for concurrence in the adoption of the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the House took a recess.

(After recess.)

(The Speaker in the chair.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following bills with amendments, in the passage of which amendments the Senate asks the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 414, An act making appropriations for the expenses of the state of New Hampshire for the year ending June 30, 1922.

Amend Section 1, paragraph 4 of said bill by striking out in line 22, after the words "For the treasury department"

the figures "15,400" and inserting in place thereof the figures "15,900." Further amend said paragraph by striking out in line 24 after the words "for clerical expense" the figures "6,000" and inserting in place thereof "6,500," so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

For the treasury department, $15,900 as follows: For salary of treasurer, $4,000; for salary of deputy, $2,300; for clerical expense, $6,500; for incidentals, $1,700; for printing blanks, $600; for printing report, $800.

Amend Section 1, paragraph 11 of said bill by striking out in line 55 after the words "for enforcement prohibitory law department," the figures "12,850" and inserting in place thereof the figures "14,850."

Further amend said paragraph by striking out in line 58 after the words "for salaries of deputy and agents" the figures "3,000" and inserting in place thereof the figures "4,000" also in said line strike out the figures "2,000" after the words "for expenses of deputy and agents" and insert in place thereof the figures "3,000," so that said paragraph as amended shall read:

For enforcement prohibitory law department, $14,850 as follows: For salary of commissioner, $2,750; for salary of state liquor agent, $2,200; for expenses of commissioner, $1,000; for salaries of deputy and agents, $4,000; for expenses of deputy and agents, $3,000; for clerical expense, $1,200; for incidentals, $500; for printing blanks, $200.

Amend the fourth amendment as adopted by the Senate by striking out the whole thereof and substituting in place thereof the following:

"Further amend the bill by inserting after the paragraph making appropriations for the Industrial School the following paragraph '$2,000 for the construction of a silo at the Industrial School, if in the opinion of the governor and council the erection of such silo is immediately required.'"

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 415, An act making appropriations for the expenses of the state of New Hampshire for the year ending June 30, 1923.

Amend Section 1, paragraph 4 of said bill by striking out in line 23, after the words, "for the treasury department," the figures "$15,900," and inserting in place thereof the figures "$16,500."

Further amend said paragraph by striking out in line 25 after the words "for clerical expense," the figures "6,000," and inserting in place thereof the figures "6,600," so that said paragraph as amended shall read:

For the treasury department, $16,500 as follows: For salary of treasury, $4,000; for salary of deputy, $2,300; for clerical expense, $6,600; for incidentals, $1,700; for printing blanks, $600; for printing report, $800; for treasurer's and deputy's bonds, $500.

Further amend said bill by striking out in paragraph 11, line 62, after the words, "For enforcement of prohibitory law department," the figures "13,250," and inserting in place thereof $15,250."

Further amend said paragraph by striking out in line 62 after the words "salaries of deputy and agents," the figures "$3,000," and inserting in place thereof "$4,000," also in line 63, by striking out after the words, "for expenses of deputy and agents, the figures "$2,000" and inserting in place thereof "$3,000," so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

For the enforcement of prohibitory law department, $15,250 as follows: For salary of commissioner, $2,750; for salary of state liquor agent, $2,200; for expenses of commissioner, $1,000; for salaries of deputy and agents, $4,000; for expenses of deputy and agents, $3,000; for clerical expense, $1,200; for incidentals, $500; for printing blanks, $200; for printing report, $400.

Amend the bill by inserting after the paragraph making

the appropriations for the Industrial School the following paragraph:

"$28,000 for the construction of a barn at the Industrial School, if in the opinion of the governor and council the erection of such barn is a necessity."

On motion of Mr. Lord of Manchester the House concurred in the amendments sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

House Bill No. 374, An act to provide for a referendum on the adoption of a new city charter for the city of Manchester.

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a commission to investigate the needs of the city of Manchester. Said commission shall consist of twelve members, all of whom shall be citizens of the city of Manchester, and who shall be appointed as follows: two members by the governor, two members by the president of the Senate, two members by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two members by the city government, two members by the chamber of commerce of said city, and two members by the central labor union of Manchester.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of said commission to draft a new charter embracing the city-manager plan of municipal government. This charter, so drafted, shall be submitted to the voters of the city at the regular biennial election holden in November, 1922, and if the charter is approved by a majority of the legal voters present and voting at said election then said commission is directed to present the charter to the legislature of 1923 at its regular session.

Mr. Howes of Manchester moved that the House concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate.

The question being on the motion to concur,

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. Putnam of Manchester moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Putnam,

Mr. Howes of Manchester raised the point of order that his motion took precedence.

The Speaker ruled the point of order not well taken.

(Discussion ensued.)

On a *viva voce* vote the motion prevailed.

Mr. Howes of Manchester called for a division.

A division being had, the vote was declared manifestly in the affirmative and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The message further announced that the Senate had voted to adopt the amendments offered by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, to the following House Bill, in the adoption of which amendments, the Senate asked the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highways of the city of Manchester.

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 1. Amend Section 1, Chapter 418, Laws of 1913, by striking out the word "seventy" in the seventh line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty." Further amend said section by striking out the words "board of public works" wherever they occur and inserting in place thereof the words "department of highways." Further amend said section by striking out the word "board" in the fifth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "department." Further amend said section by striking out the word "fifteen" in the seventh line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty" so that said section as amended shall read as follows: SECTION 1. The department of highways of the city of Manchester, by the affirmative vote of all the members, may at his own request or at the request of the mayor of said city, retire from service for one year, any employee of the department of highways, who in the judgment of said department has become disabled for useful service while in

the actual performance of duty; or any employee who has reached the age of sixty years and has had thirty consecutive years' service; and may grant a pension to such retired employee for a period not exceeding one year at a time. No such employee shall be granted a pension unless it shall be certified to the department of highways in writing by the city physician, that such employee is permanently incapacitated physically from performing his duty as an employee of the department. Consecutive years under the terms of this section shall not be interpreted to disqualify those candidates for pensions who may have been laid off temporarily from work by the department of highways from time to time.

On motion of Mr. Putnam of Manchester the House concurred in the adoption of the amendment proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The bill was then sent to the secretary of state to be engrossed.

The message also announced the Honorable Leslie P. Snow had resigned as president of the Honorable Senate, and that the Senate had elected as his successor the Honorable James A. Tufts.

On motion of Mr. Ahern of Concord the House took a recess for two hours.

(After recess.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the adoption of amendments proposed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills to the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia.

House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 89, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game.

The message further announced that the Senate refused

to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills:

House Bill No. 13, An act relating to the state seal and state flag.

House Bill No. 103, An act to repeal Chapter 77, Session Laws of 1907, entitled, An act to amend Chapter 11, Session Laws of 1899, concerning holidays.

House Bill No. 159, An act to amend the Laws of 1915, Chapter 133, as amended by the Laws of 1917 and 1919, relating to the taking of pheasants.

House Bill No. 314, An act in amendment of Chapter 147 of the Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 99 of the Laws of 1919, transferring the duties of the state liquor agent to the state commissioner of law enforcement.

House Bill No. 315, An act regulating the salary of the sheriff of Belknap county.

The message also announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bills and joint resolution:

House Bill No. 144, An act in relation to clerk hire in the office of the register of probate of Merrimack county.

House Bill No. 299, An act to establish the city of Claremont.

House Bill No. 308, An act to designate the state treasurer as custodian of United States funds allotted to the state forestry department.

House Bill No. 390, An act to amend an act passed at the January Session of 1921, relating to the protection of state roads.

House Joint Resolution No. 68, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward, William H. Knox and others.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Wakefield at 9.20 o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House was immediately called to order in afternoon session.

On motion of Mr. Sara of Lebanon the House took a recess.

(After recess.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Dudley of Exeter, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported that the committee had examined and found correctly engrossed the following entitled bills and joint resolution:

Senate Bill No. 31, An act relating to indebtedness of the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 32, An act in amendment of Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1917, relating to factory inspection.

House Bill No. 48, An act in amendment of Chapter 241, Laws of 1893, and repealing Chapter 297, Laws of 1915, relating to a school district in the city of Laconia.

House Bill No. 169, An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for school teachers.

House Bill No. 197, An act relating to the salaries of certain sheriffs.

House Bill No. 208, An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, relating to diseases of domestic animals.

House Bill No. 252, An act to amend Chapter 418, Laws of 1913, relating to pensioning of employees of the department of highways of the city of Manchester.

House Bill No. 272, An act in amendment of Chapter 346, Laws of 1913, "An act authorizing the city of Manchester to provide pensions for firemen."

House Bill No. 317, An act in amendment of Chapter 106, Laws of 1919, relating to public schools.

House Bill No. 372, An act in amendment of Chapter 133, Laws of 1915, Chapter 184, Laws of 1917, and Chapter 89, Laws of 1919, relating to fish and game.

House Bill No. 373, An act requiring the payment of certain moneys into the state treasury.

House Bill No. 408, An act in amendment of Section 2, Chapter 181, Laws of 1917, entitled "An act permitting sterilizing operations in certain cases of mental disease and feeble mindedness."

House Bill No. 411, An act relating to the terms of the superior courts.

House Bill No. 412, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of an annual state tax for the term of two years.

House Bill No. 413, An act to provide for the assessment and collection of a special state tax for deficiencies for the year 1921.

House Bill No. 414, An act making appropriations for the expenses of the state of New Hampshire for the year ending June 30, 1922.

House Bill No. 415, An act making appropriations for the expenses of the state of New Hampshire for the year ending June 30, 1923.

House Bill No. 416, An act in amendment of an act passed by the House of Representatives on April 6, 1921, and by the Honorable Senate on April 12, 1921, entitled, "An act in amendment of Chapter 212 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the courts."

House Bill No. 417, An act relating to appropriations for the highway department.

House Joint Resolution No. 68, Joint resolution in favor of Walter J. A. Ward, William H. Knox and others.

The report was accepted.

RESOLUTION.

On motion of Mr. Woodbury of Woodstock,

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that a committee of ten to include the veterans of the Civil War who are members of the House, and such other members as the Speaker may designate, be appointed by the House to join with such committee as the Senate may designate to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the legislature has completed the business of the session and is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

The Speaker appointed as members of such committee on the part of the House:

Messrs. Hunt of Nashua, Schenck of Tamworth, Leavitt of Portsmouth, Allen of Haverhill, Kimball of Stratford,

Bartlett of Manchester, Pillsbury of Londonderry, Hamlin of Gorham, Murdock of Hill, and O'Neil of Nashua.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Honorable Senate by its clerk announced that the Senate refused to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following entitled bill sent up from the House of Representatives:

House Bill No. 418, An act in amendment of Chapter 203, of the Public Statutes, relating to interest and usury.

The message also announced that the Senate had voted to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a committee of ten to include the veterans of the Civil War who are members of the House, and such other members as the Speaker may designate, be appointed by the House to join with such committee as the Senate may designate, to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the legislature has completed the business of the session and is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make and that the president had appointed as members of such committee on the part of the Senate, Senators Garland, Parker, Gage, Rollins, Smalley, Orr, Conway and Frisbee.

BILLS INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

By the concurrent resolution previously adopted by the House of Representatives and Senate that all reports, bills, and joint resolutions pending in either branch of the legislature on Thursday, the fourteenth day of April at five o'clock in the afternoon, be indefinitely postponed, the following entitled bills are indefinitely postponed:

House Bill No. 80, An act to repeal Chapter 106 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the public schools and establishing a state board of education.

House Bill No. 95, An act in amendment of Chapter 208 of the Laws of 1901, and of Chapter 148 of the Laws of 1913,

and creating a police commission for the city of Nashua, elected by the people.

House Bill No. 112, An act to refer changes in city government to its people.

House Bill No. 127, An act abolishing the municipal court of Nashua, as created by the Laws of 1915, Chapter 30, and establishing a new police court in Nashua.

House Bill No. 134, An act to amend the charter of the city of Dover.

House Bill No. 229, An act providing for full crews on certain freight trains.

House Bill No. 249, An act regulating the operation of switching engines in yards, and provide for a full crew for the same.

House Bill No. 330, An act in amendment of sub-division 5 of Section 7 of Chapter 55 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1911, in relation to the taxation of money on hand or at interest; and in amendment of Sections 4 and 5 of Chapter 65 of Public Statutes and all amendments thereof, relating to the taxation of savings banks.

House Bill No. 362, An act in amendment of Section 3, Chapter 193 of the Laws of 1917, relating to the appointment of banks and trust companies as trustees.

Senate Bill No. 14, An act in amendment of Section 5 of Chapter 144, Laws of 1913, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 13, Laws of 1919, relating to the practice of dentistry.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

Mr. Murdock of Hill, for the joint committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the legislature had completed its duties, reported that they had attended to their duties and that the governor informed them that he had a communication to lay before the House.

The report was accepted, and immediately His Excellency, Hon. Albert O. Brown, Governor, appeared before the House and delivered the following message:

To the House of Representatives:

No recent legislature has passed so few laws as this of 1921. None has rejected so large a percentage of all the measures introduced. Out of 527 bills and resolutions, 283 have become laws; and 244 have failed to pass. It is the quality, not the quantity, of your work, that will commend it to your constituents.

Among the acts of the session of major importance are the enactments providing for continuing boards of selectmen; for the maintenance of highways by the traffic they bear and for their protection against destructive use; for the improvement of the school law and some reduction in the cost of its operation; for the closing of certain jails; for the equalization of salaries paid by the state; and for the payment of fees and other income into the state treasury.

Extensive provision has been made for continuing the fight against tuberculosis in men and animals. The Sunday law has been retained, unimpaired, upon the statute book. The state's greatest highway has been named for her most distinguished son. The aid of the state has been extended to the city of Manchester to supply a need where local government, for the time being, had failed. Various commissions have been created to serve without pay in the interest of the state.

The appropriations provide for necessaries only, and not for luxuries. They are reflected in a deficiency tax of $450,000 for the current fiscal year; a state tax of $1,700,000 for the next year; and of $1,500,000 for the year following that.

This result should mark a turning point in taxation. Your work in bringing it about is extremely gratifying to me, and in return, I promise you the money appropriated shall be expended with the utmost care and prudence, and that, so far as it can be prevented, no deficiency will be permitted to accrue.

I desire to thank you in behalf of the people of New Hampshire, whose servants you are and to whom you are about to return, for the general excellence of your record in legisla-

tion, and for the earnest and orderly manner in which, under a capable and efficient presiding officer, you have proceeded with your work. I also thank you for your splendid co-operation with me and for your kindness and courtesy to all with whom the public business has brought you into contact.

Having been informed by the joint committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives that you have completed the business of the session and are ready to adjourn, I do, by the authority invested in me as Governor, hereby declare the General Court of New Hampshire adjourned to the last Wednesday in December of the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

ALBERT O. BROWN,
Governor.

Thereupon the Speaker declared the House adjourned to the last Wednesday in December, 1922.

HARRIE M. YOUNG,
Clerk.

A true copy. Attest:

HARRIE M. YOUNG,
Clerk.

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Page 99. House Bill No. 54 should read: Section, Chapter 357, Laws of 1917.

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